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## Making. Preparations



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► Ottawa Folk Festival supervisor Mark Monahan, centre, gesturing, shows media the preparations at the new festival grounds at Hog's Back Park, including the folded-up hydraulic main stage, seen in the background, which was being set up yesterday.

## Ottawa Folk Festival keeps things safe

Following the Bluesfest main-stage collapse during a freak wind storm, folk fest supervisor Mark Monahan has hired a private meteorological service to keep watch for any dangerous weather. Monahan said the stages at the folk fest are smaller, heavier and stronger than those used at Bluesfest. The festival, which features such headliners as Hawksley Workman and Bruce Hornsby and the Noisemakers, runs Aug. 25-28. More coverage, pages 25-28.

# Hurt hero recovering in hospital

► Carleton University master's student, one of three survivors of airplane crash in Nunavut, is set to have foot surgery



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As Nicole Williamson lies in bed at the Ottawa Hospital, with cuts and bruises on her body, she is being praised as a hero.

Amid the fiery debris of Saturday's plane crash in Resolute Bay, Nunavut, the 23-year-old Carleton University master's student selflessly came to the rescue of seven-year-old Gabrielle Pelky, whom she found on a rock with a broken leg.

"She scooped her up in her arms and got to a better place ... moved her to a place where she felt she was safer," said RCMP Sgt. Paul Solomon. "It's amazing they survived such a thing."

Now the Halifax native is recovering

in hospital with images of the tragedy fresh in her mind.

An Ottawa Hospital spokesperson confirmed yesterday she is being treated at the General campus and is set to have foot surgery and undergo pain management therapy.

Williamson's family released the following statement yesterday:

"Nicole wishes to express her deepest gratitude to the members of the Canadian Forces, Operation Nanook, and to the Resolute Bay responders present at the crash site for their efficiency under the circumstances," the statement says.

The cause of the crash is still under investigation.

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# Language watchdog's shoppers fanning out

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Today the lunchtime buffet crowd at Moni Mahal may include a special customer who is looking for a "bon appétit" served with their butter chicken, thanks to an initiative by Graham Fraser, Canada's official languages commissioner.

The commissioner's office has hired marketing-research firm Ipsos Reid to send out mystery shoppers from Aug. 24 to Sept. 30 to downtown Ottawa hotels, restaurants and businesses



► Moni Mahal owner and manager Dewan Chowdhury inside his Laurier Avenue restaurant.

to evaluate whether services are offered in English and French.

The commissioner's office wants to assess bilingualism in the National

Capital for its 2012 annual report, and one aspect of its study includes understanding the "visitor's experience," said spokesperson Nelson Kalil.

Moni Mahal owner Dewan Chowdhury isn't worried.

"Language is not the big issue, believe me," he said.

From Bangladesh, he is only able to use a few words to converse with the majority francophone crowd that frequents his restaurant at noon.

He insists that it does not

matter. At a small business such as his, customers are not interested in small talk, nor do they expect it. They want quality service, he says.

Stepping out of the restaurant, Joanne Lauzon, a bilingual French-Canadian, disagrees.

"I feel that I should have services in the language I want," she said. "I learned English to accommodate others. Every restaurant and service should have some bilingual staff — at least one or two people."

# Hudak downloads Twitter ire

► Tories plan to cut short uploading agreement with cities if they get into power, leader says

JESSICA SMITH  
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For most people, engaging in a flame war on Twitter at work wouldn't go over very well with the boss. For local politicians, it seems it's just another day at the office.

Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson took to Twitter yesterday to complain about Progressive Conservative Leader Tim Hudak's plan, if elected, to stop uploading services from cities to the province to the tune of \$500 million.

Watson's tweet, as he watched Hudak speak at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario meeting in London, sparked local Nepean-Carleton MPP Lisa MacLeod to tweet back, "Are you planning to raise

taxes?"

A two-hour back-and-forth ensued — with citizens and partisans kibitzing.

Ontario municipalities and the province signed the uploading agreement in 2008 with Watson, who was then Municipal Affairs minister. He tweeted that it saves Ottawa \$120 million over the life of the agreement, saved the city \$25 million this year and is built into city budget forecasts.

So far, the province has uploaded about \$1 billion of the \$1.5 billion worth of services it agreed to take on by 2018.

Metro asked MacLeod for comment, but Randall Denley, PC candidate for Ottawa West-Nepean, responded instead. Denley said Hudak will leave the

## Politicians go at it



Some of the Watson-MacLeod Twitter smackdown:

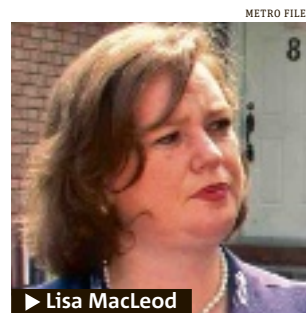
► **MAYOR JIM WATSON:** @timhudak — very concerned what you said at AMO — that you wouldn't commit to the final 5 years of the upload agreement signed by AMO and Prov

► **MPP LISA MACLEOD:** @JimWatsonOttawa @blakebatson @CouncillorMcRae @timhudak are you planning to raise taxes?

► **WATSON:** @MacLeodLisa I campaigned at keeping tax-

already uploaded services with the government.

"As far as the subsequent years, we don't think that looks affordable at this point," said Denley, adding



► Lisa MacLeod

es at 2.5 % and delivered 2.4 %. It was in my platform

► **MACLEOD:** @JimWatsonOttawa so I take it you'll be VERY active in campaigning for your party this provincial election.

► **WATSON:** @MacLeodLisa I will continue to speak out anytime OUR city is not being treated fairly. That's my role as mayor



► Jim Watson

► **MACLEOD:** Municipalities will continue to enjoy \$1b in uploading under an @timhudak government Cc @JimWatsonOttawa @JonathanWilling @alistairsteele

► **WATSON:** @MacLeodLisa @timhudak @JonathanWilling @alistairsteele the deal was \$1.5 billion. So are you cancelling the rest of the upload deal?

time, be casting himself in an attack role against the Conservative party," added Denley. "Maybe he forgets that he's not with the Liberals anymore."

# Kilger recovering from cancer surgery

Cornwall Mayor Bob Kilger is recovering at Queensway Carleton Hospital after surgery to treat stomach cancer.

Kilger, a former Liberal MP, is expected to remain in hospital for the next seven to 10 days before going home.

A statement from the



► Kilger

City of Cornwall said that Kilger's "prognosis for recovery is excellent."

► METRO

## News in brief

### Ottawa film wins top award

OIFF. A crime drama shot in Ottawa has won the best film award at the Ottawa International Film Festival.

A Violent State, about a man struggling to put his criminal past behind him

only to have it return, was written and directed by Adrian Langel.

"We're absolutely thrilled to receive the best film award from OIFF. Truly honoured to be chosen," said producer Richard Towns. ► METRO

### Man stabbed at stadium

CRIME. Police are investigating after an

altercation at the Bacardi Island DayGlow event at the Ottawa baseball stadium Sunday evening resulted in a man being stabbed.

The victim did not suffer life-threatening injuries.

Police interviewed two persons of interest and say they interviewed 22 witnesses. ► METRO



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► From left, parliamentary secretary to transport minister Pierre Poilievre, deputy mayor Steve Desroches, Ottawa Centre MPP Yasir Naqvi and OC Transpo general manager Alain Mercier at Longfields transit station.

# Barrhaven transit boost

- City unveils new transit route to ease congestion in community
- New route will improve reliability and build ridership, officials say



**JOE LOFARO**  
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Barrhaven roads will be less congested after the official opening of a four-kilometre southwest transitway extension between Fallowfield and Market-place stations, deputy city manager Steve Desroches

said yesterday.

The expansion is the result of a \$48.75-million partnership between the federal, provincial and municipal governments.

Transit riders can count on a more reliable transit service with a dedicated transitway route for the several buses that navigate through the suburb.

Barrhaven is one of Ottawa's fastest-growing communities, Desroches said.

Desroches joined Pierre Poilievre, parliamentary secretary to the minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, and MPP Yasir Naqvi to unveil the new extension, which is tucked away

from Greenbank Road.

"This is an important project for Barrhaven that's going to serve current and future growth," Desroches said. "Previously, the traffic was travelling down Greenbank and buses had to deal with congestion, they had to deal with traffic lights, environmental factors."

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# U.S. tremor felt far and wide

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- ▶ People scurried onto city streets
- ▶ Some flights were put on hold, while trains ran at slower speeds

One of the strongest earthquakes ever recorded on the East Coast of the U.S. shook buildings and rattled nerves yesterday, forcing the evacuation of parts of the Capitol, White House and Pentagon.

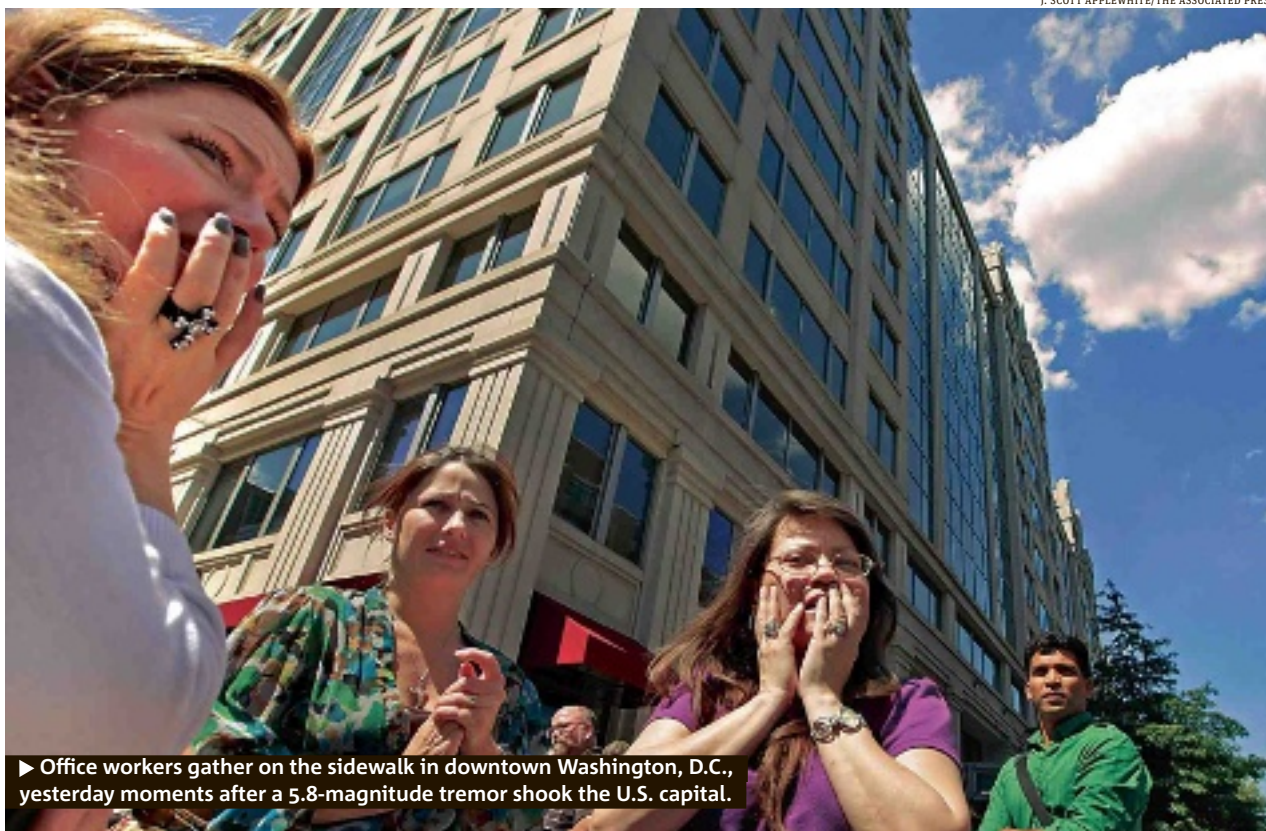
There were no immediate reports of deaths, but there were some injuries. The U.S. Geological Survey said the quake registered magnitude 5.8 and was centred about 64 kilometres northwest of Richmond, Va. Two nuclear reactors at the North Anna Power Station were automatically taken off line by safety systems.

With the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11 approaching, fears were triggered of something more sinister than a natural disaster.

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## Shaky ground

- ▶ People from across central and eastern Canada, including residents of Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and London reported feeling effects including rumbling desks and swaying buildings.
- ▶ Earthquake Canada said Canadians weren't feeling tremors or aftershocks, just waves from the quake.
- ▶ More than 12 million people live close enough to the quake's epicentre to have felt shaking.
- ▶ Social media sites lit up with first-hand accounts from Canada and the U.S.
- ▶ In 1897, a magnitude-5.9 quake at Giles County, Va., was the strongest ever recorded in the state.



▶ Office workers gather on the sidewalk in downtown Washington, D.C., yesterday moments after a 5.8-magnitude tremor shook the U.S. capital.

## NDP front-runner already on the horizon

AARON VINCENT ELKAIM/THE CANADIAN PRESS

One of Jack Layton's closest advisers is emerging as a surprise front-runner to pick up the torch from the fallen NDP leader.

Insiders say party president Brian Topp is receiving a lot of encouragement from influential quarters to join the impending race to succeed Layton, who died on Monday.

Topp is one of the key architects of Layton's success and was among the last of Layton's tight-knit inner circle to speak with him before his death.

Montreal MP Thomas Mulcair, Layton's deputy leader, is widely considered the only other prospective candidate to have a serious shot at taking Layton's place.

Signs of leadership jockeying emerged yesterday even as plans were drawn up for Layton's body to lie in state on Parliament Hill and Toronto City Hall before a state funeral in Toronto on Saturday.

His closed casket will rest for visitation in the foyer outside the House of



▶ Melanie d'Esterre reads from a wall that has been made into a tribute to the late NDP leader Jack Layton at Nathan Phillips Square in Toronto yesterday.

Commons.

The lying-in-state will be open to the public today from 12:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. ET, and tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. ET. He will receive a 15-gun salute as he leaves Parliament Hill.

Layton's casket will then rest "in repose" at Toronto City Hall all day Friday and Saturday morning before a state funeral at Roy Thomson Hall that afternoon.

The state funeral, normally accorded only to current and former prime ministers, current cabinet

ministers and governors general, was offered by Prime Minister Stephen Harper out of respect for Layton's stature.

Topp, meanwhile, declined to comment on his possible leadership aspirations.

"We lost Jack yesterday and his funeral is on Saturday," Topp said in an interview. "It's not appropriate to talk about his successor this week."

Mulcair could not be reached for comment.

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► Prime Minister Stephen Harper greets Canadian Rangers as he arrives in Resolute Bay, Nunavut, yesterday. Harper is on a four-day tour of the north visiting Resolute Bay, Baker Lake, Whitehorse, Yellowknife and Haines Junction.

# Harper honours Arctic scientist

► Plane-crash victim Martin Bergman was 'a leader in rejuvenating Canada's Arctic research infrastructure'

Among the victims of the deadly weekend jet crash that Prime Minister Stephen Harper paid tribute to yesterday was a federal scientist with a passion for Arctic research.

Harper was supposed to have toured a shiny, new research facility in Resolute Bay, but his visit was abbreviated due to Saturday's horrific crash that killed 12 people, including Winnipeg's Martin Bergman, the senior government re-

## Federal Funding

The Conservative government quietly extended Canada's Arctic research network's funding last year.

► The seven-year extension ensures the research group receives \$66 million from the government.

searcher who was to have guided Harper on his

science tour.

"Marty Bergman spent his life in pursuit of sharing the importance and relevance of Arctic through science," Harper said in a release before his arrival in Resolute Bay.

Canada's Arctic research infrastructure is the subject of hot debate within its tight-knit research community, with diverging opinions on the focus and direction of the Harper government. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

### Time capsule discovered

JENNIFER TAPLIN  
IN HALIFAX

A mysterious dented copper box has been pulled from the rubble of a high school in Halifax site.

Construction workers recently discovered the box in the building's cornerstone, which means it's most likely a

time capsule from 1941 when the school was being built.

"I can't wait to crack that thing open," said Nova Scotia Transportation Minister Bill Estabrooks, a former history teacher, yesterday.

But before the contents are revealed, the province wants to find former graduates, hopefully some who attended the school in the 1940s, to be there when it's opened.

Estabrooks said the event should take place sometime next month.

### More jail time for extortionist

A man from Niagara Falls, Ont., has received another eight months in jail after admitting to extorting money from a Catholic priest.

Robert Sammut, 46, has been behind bars since his arrest last November.

Court heard Sammut got about \$90,000 from the priest by preying on his fears of being falsely suspected as a sexual predator. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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## Where did they hide?

With Moammar Ghadafi at large, we take a look at

where past ousted leaders have fled. ● METRO

### Zine Al-Abidine Ben Ali



Tunisia's former president and his wife have been sentenced in absentia to 35 years of prison while they currently enjoy a golden exile in Saudi Arabia.

### Ferdinand Marcos

The Filipino dictator was lucky enough to be friends with former U.S. president Reagan, who suggested he escape to Hawaii when massive riots broke out in Manila.



### Jean-Claude (Baby Doc) Duvalier



Haiti's former president found shelter in Paris with his wives.

Early this year, he was taken into custody for corruption and theft.

### Saddam Hussein

Some of the bloodiest dictators were not able to escape. Iraq's former leader was found in a tiny cellar in 2003 and hanged three years later.



# Rebels reclaim city

► Anti-Gadhafi forces have taken over most of the country ► Libyan leader's hometown city, Sirte, one of few areas still under his control

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Hundreds of Libyan rebels stormed Moammar Gadhafi's compound yesterday, charging wildly through the symbolic heart of the crumbling regime as they killed loyalist troops, looted armouries and knocked the head off a statue of the besieged dictator. But they found no sign of the man himself.

The storming of Bab al-Aziziya, long the nexus of Gadhafi's power, marked the effective collapse of his 42-year-old regime. But with Gadhafi and his powerful sons still unaccounted for, and gun battles flaring across the nervous city, the fighters cannot declare victory.

The rebel force entered the compound after fighting for five hours with Gadhafi loyalists outside, using



► Rebel fighters trample on a bust of Moammar Gadhafi inside the main compound in Bab al-Aziziya in Tripoli, Libya, yesterday.

mortars, heavy machine-guns and anti-aircraft guns.

They beat and killed some of those who defended the compound and hauled away crates of

weapons and trucks with guns mounted on the back in a frenzy of looting.

Gadhafi has not been heard from since Sunday, when rebels entered

Tripoli and he delivered a series of angry and defiant audio messages that were apparently phoned in to state television.

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# Chile braces for shutdown

- Chile president warns citizens against 'temptations' of populism
- Government dismisses protest demands as 'utopian' ideals

Chile is bracing for a nationwide, two-day shutdown as unions, students and centre-left political parties demand fundamental changes in society.

They want to replace Chile's dictatorship-era constitution with a new charter enabling popular referendums and making free quality education a right for all citizens. They also want pension reforms, new labour rules

## "It's painful to see those working so hard to paralyze Chile."

CHILE PRESIDENT SEBASTIAN PINERA

and more health-care spending.

Chile's largest union coalition called the strike for today and Thursday to join forces with the high school and university students boycotting classes for three months now.

They have support from the centre-left coalition

that governed Chile for 20 years before President Sebastian Pinera brought the right wing back last year.

Transportation workers and daycare providers also plan to strike, stranding millions of other Chileans.

Pinera said yesterday, "We are perfectly conscious that our country has

many unpaid debts, that there are many problems that remain unresolved, many of which were caused decades ago."

Chile spends \$2,000 annually per schoolchild, compared to \$7,500 in the most-developed countries, according to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Chile's economy could lose \$400 million.

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## Community Cup 2011 Coupe Communautaire

# Thank you Ottawa!

The 7th annual Community Cup was a huge success!

Smiles and new connections were everywhere on June 26th in Brewer Park. Over 200 volunteers and several community partners/sponsors supported the Catholic Immigration Centre's efforts to connect and integrate newcomers in an informal and engaging way.





**Congratulations to the Community Cup Champions "Team OKYC" (Ottawa Karen Youth Club) and to the Spirit Champs "the Ottawa Folkies" (The Ottawa Folk Festival)!**

Everyone worked so hard and played with heart. The photos speak for themselves – see the photo gallery at [www.communitycup.ca](http://www.communitycup.ca) (thank you to our event photographers Karen Flanagan McCarthy, Marc-André Cossette, and Kofi Arthiabah).

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- Citizenship and Immigration Canada and Judge Springate for the Citizenship Ceremony
- All of the Catholic Immigration Centre staff members, managers, and volunteers
- Yasir Naqvi, MPP Ottawa-Centre for his tremendous support and role as Event Co-Chair
- An AMAZING group of 200 volunteers. Thanks to everyone for giving your weekend to this event.
- The 2011 Planning team. Thanks for your dedication, your contributions, and your connections.



Congratulations to the 50 new Canadians who received their Canadian Citizenship. Welcome Home!

"The Community Cup is about celebrating diversity, making Ottawa a Welcoming Community, and providing an engaging opportunity for building community connections. Our post-event debrief concluded that several new connections were created, individuals were inspired, newcomers left feeling more welcomed, and participants are already looking forward to next year.

As the event organizer, I am extremely proud of our volunteers and the hard work they put into this event. I hope you had fun, learned new things, and made some new connections. I would also like to thank the spouses, partners, drivers, and everyone else who supported our volunteers. Thank you!"

Sincerely,  
Dan Dubeau - Event Manager



► Eveline Guette, right, holds her son Josua at a protest against mining legislation in Quebec City.

JACQUES BOISSINOT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Mining plan decried

Demonstrators rallied against mining legislation being studied by the National Assembly yesterday in front of the legislature in Quebec City.

Among those who spoke to the concerned crowd was Christian Vanasse, member of the comedy group Zapartistes.

## Deficit in Ontario lowered by \$2.7B

Ontario's Liberal government said Tuesday it was lowering its budget deficit faster than projected, crediting its own restraint measures for reducing government spending.

The deficit for the fiscal year ending March 31 was \$14 billion, down \$2.7 billion from the shortfall pro-

**\$14B** Ontario's deficit is \$14 billion, down \$2.7 billion from projections.

jected in the March 2011 budget, according to public accounts figures from the finance ministry.

Only \$300 million of the \$2.7 billion in savings came from increased revenues, Premier Dalton McGuinty told reporters.

The Opposition said only the Liberals would think a \$14-billion deficit is something to be proud of.

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► Nine-million-dollar smile: Akshay Kothari attended Facebook class and founded Pulse.com, a news aggregator that now has five million users.

## Think rich with Facebook class

► Mark Zuckerberg who? Stanford University students learn how to create equally successful biz plans



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The company founded and run by Evan Reas has 10 employees and \$6 million in investor funding. Reas's business concept is simple: his website, [lal.com](http://lal.com), allows college students to flirt online. And U.S. college students apparently don't get to flirt enough in real life — thousands have signed up.

Reas himself is still just 26. He's one of the super-entrepreneurs trained at Stanford University's "Facebook class."

"The class was extremely practical," says Reas.

"(Professor B.J. Fogg) taught us the theory of entrepreneurship, but expected us to use it in the real world and try it out with small experiments to attempt to do it ourselves," says Reas.

"He wanted us to talk to users and to get real data ourselves rather than just reading it in a book." The class, launched by Fogg and Dave McClure in 2007, hasn't just spawned Reas and [lal.com](http://lal.com). In fact, its main result is a new generation of companies that make money on Facebook apps. The first-year students designed apps that attracted 16 million users.

"The concept of this class had never been tried before," explains Professor Fogg. "The students built real things and put them out in the world. I told them to drop out if they didn't like challenges."

Their seminar was, in essence, a boot camp for future Silicon Valley stars. Many are now millionaires, at least on paper.

Akshay Kothari, 25, took the class last year and founded Pulse.me, an app that allows users to create a screen mosaic of their favourite news sites.

Since launching 14

**"You should be able to create a business idea and launch it within 40 minutes."**

PROF. B.J. FOGG,

months ago, Pulse has gained million users, \$10 million in funding and an endorsement from Steve Jobs.

Fogg says starting a successful company is actually fairly simple. "The biggest mistake companies make is to overthink," he says.

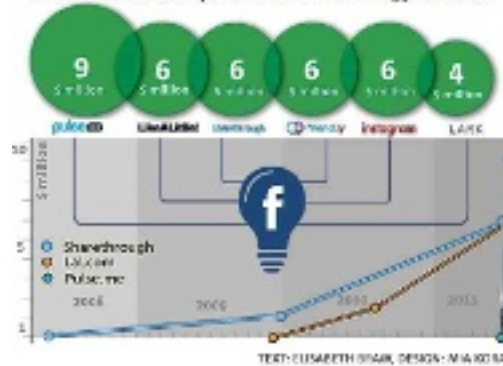
"They make their products too complicated, add way too many features, and delay launching for fear of failure. Successful apps are simple, social and fun."

### Creative payoff

- Professor BJ Fogg directs Stanford's Persuasive Technology Lab. The prof changes the class each year. This year, he taught students how to use technology to reduce people's stress.
- Several weeks after the 2007 Facebook class ended, the students' Facebook apps had 24 million users.
- Many of the students have sold their ideas to existing companies or started companies featuring their apps.

### From zero to millions in a year

Many of the companies created as classroom assignments in Professor BJ Fogg's "Facebook class" have turned into real-life companies. And many of them have already received millions of dollars in venture capital. Here are some of Fogg's favorites:



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### News in brief

#### Tag — you're not it anymore

**FACEBOOK FRIENDS.** Facebook will now let you decide whether friends can attach your name to a photo before it's posted.

The change won't affect friends adding photos of you, only whether your

name is attached to it.  
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#### Goodlife gets big strife

**FITNESS.** Goodlife Fitness Centres has paid a \$300,000 penalty for using automated systems to call members without permission.

The CRTC said that 60 calls had been made from May to December 2010.

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#### KFC arrives in East Africa

**CHICKEN.** Good news for chicken lovers: KFC just opened its first restaurant in Kenya.

KFC sits in a new wing of a Nairobi mall and is the first U.S. fast food outlet in East Africa's most developed economy.

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## Lois lane actress arrested at protest

**50** During a peaceful protest Saturday, 50 environmental activists were arrested and spent two nights in jail.

Canadian actress Margot Kidder was among the latest slate of environmentalists to be arrested outside the White House yesterday, handcuffed and sent to jail on the fourth day of a two-week civil disobedience campaign against Trans-Canada's Keystone XL pipeline.

Kidder, born in Yellowknife but now living in Montana as an American citizen, was arrested alongside fellow Canadian actress Tantoo Cardinal by U.S. Park Police for refusing to vacate a White House sidewalk.

U.S. President Barack Obama will decide by the end of the year whether to allow Calgary-based Trans-Canada to build the \$7-billion US pipeline. It would transport millions of barrels of Alberta oilsands crude a week through the U.S. and to Gulf Coast refineries.

"We're the first state the pipeline goes through," Kidder, 62, best known for playing Lois Lane in four Superman movies, said before her arrest.

She marched from Lafayette Square north of the White House to the sidewalk lining the presidential residence.

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# IF ONLY I HAD A DOLLAR FOR EVERY SONG I'VE SUNG

## JUST SAYIN' ...

PAUL SULLIVAN  
METRO



So you think you can sing. Not to worry, it's a common delusion, and with treatment, you can lead a nearly normal life. I, for example, have learned to confine my delusion to the car with the windows rolled up all the way, to the tune of Sweet Home Alabama. Well, maybe not to the exact tune, but only a sharp or flat off. I used to sing in the shower, but the SPCA came by one day and confiscated my dog. Some neighbour thought that horrible noise could only be the beseeching cries of an abused animal and called it in.

Sadly, some people choose to ignore the evidence, and there's even a machine that aids and abets their transgressions. It's called a karaoke machine and, along with other weird stuff like sushi and manga, it comes from Japan.

Just so you know, "karaoke" means "empty orchestra," which just about sums it up. As anyone who has ever been to a bar knows, the karaoke machine provides the lush orchestral accompaniment, complete with lyrics, and the usually drunken patrons provide the vocal track.

The really amazing thing is that unlike the house band, karaoke never

sounds better no matter how many drinks you have. So imagine my, er, delight when I discovered there's a World Karaoke Championship, where they actually encourage these people with cash prizes and recording contracts. This year, it's in Killarney, Ireland, from Sept. 8-10. You might want to vacation in France this year.

The last one was held in Moscow, and they should have the broken glass cleared up in time for the 2014 Winter Olympics. The World Karaoke Championship website quickly points out that this contest bears no resemblance to the usual alcohol-fuelled caterwauling in bars — these people can really sing.

But if they can really sing, why do they need the cheesy canned arrangements and backup singers? Why not just ... sing? I can only guess these audio-assisted thrushes have moved up through the bars and bubble-tea joints of the world and asking them to sing without their beloved music machine would be like asking Lady Gaga to appear in public without her meat dress.

It's part of the act.

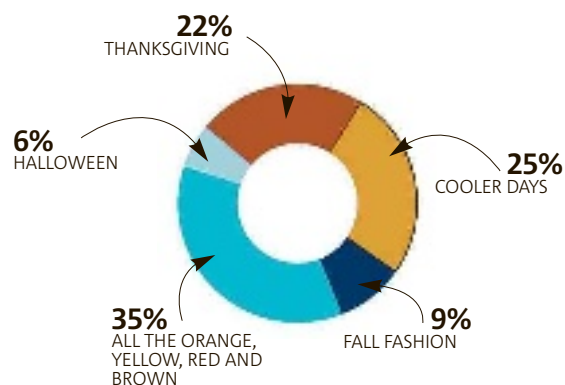
There are two British Columbians representing Canada at the 2011 Killarney blarney fest. To Trevor Dunn and Jerrica Santos, I say: Good luck and stay away from Sweet Home Alabama. That one's mine.

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With fall around the corner, what are you looking forward to most?



## Local tweets



@kainestman:

Wasn't sure at the time, but I felt the #earthquake in #Ottawa as my chair moved as if I was bouncing my knee.

@highflyingheart: ...apparently it hit Ottawa, but I didn't feel it. #earthquake

@WinnipegJules: Felt the #earthquake in downtown #Ottawa. Was outside smoking and it might have been a head rush though...

@pambelfer: days of bare

arms and legs are coming to an end, mornings are freezing now. Summer is so short in #Ottawa.

@parker\_melanie: People are suggesting having a drink in honour of Jack Layton. Orange Crush and Jack Daniels. Would that taste good? #ottawa #food #drink

@busterup25: Psyched to see @HawksleyWorkman at the folk festival in #ottawa on Thursday with @daggett65.

## Letters

Jack Layton's passing is an unequivocal tragedy in the Canadian political arena. It was difficult to separate Jack Layton from his politics, not because one overrode the other, but because they were synonymous.

Layton tried to revitalize politics — fighting to give it a good name again — with unrelenting commitment to tolerance, compassion, and social justice.

His death exemplifies that the politics of generosity and compassion aren't weak. They reflect the inner goodness that not only constitutes the historical ordinance of Canada, but also humanity.

Layton, throughout his political career, dared to reimagine Canada, attempting to reroot it as a beacon of diversity and social justice. He proved that when you truly embody your personal convictions in your politics, you will not only be heard but respected.

Layton was heard loud and clear in May, when the NDP took over as the official opposition for the first time in history; and today that man with the cane — a charismatic and passionate Canadian — is being remembered.

ZAIN VELJI  
CALGARY

## Cartoon by Michael de Adder



## WEIRD NEWS

### Sign of rogue panda disturbs motorists

Authorities in Flagstaff, Ariz., are assuring residents there are no rogue pandas roaming the city after some pranksters got creative with an electronic street sign.

The Arizona Department of Transportation-controlled sign was set up to warn drivers not to make left turns at a busy intersection. But motorists heading to work Monday morning got an entirely different

message: "Rogue panda on rampage."

A passerby reported the hacked sign to police at about 3 a.m. yesterday.

Transportation Department spokeswoman Mackenzie Nuno says the sign was restored to its original message by 11 a.m.

She says the agency has no suspects, but she noted the hackers would have needed specialized equipment to change the sign.

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► Zoe Saldana re-defines the female assassin in *Colombiana*.

# EMBRACING THE FEMME FATALE

## IN FOCUS

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Chances are the first movie assassin names that pop into your head are The Jackal, Martin Q. Blank or El Mariachi. What do they have in common, other than flashy names and a predilection for gunning down their on-screen enemies?

They're all men.

What about the ladies? Beatrix Kiddo, Charlie Baltimore or Jane Smith?

Jean Luc Goddard said, "all you need to make a

movie is a girl and a gun," and often these days filmmakers are placing that gun in the hands of female film assassins. Nikita is back on the tube and earlier this year Saoirse Ronan played a deadly 16-year-old in *Hanna*.

This weekend *Avatar*'s Zoe Saldana is back as a stone-cold killer in *Colombiana*.

As Charlie Baltimore, Geena Davis created one of the screen's most loved female assassins in *The Long Kiss Goodnight*. Suffering from amnesia, when her past catches up with her she flip flops from suburban mom to killer.

Best Line?

"They're gonna blow

**"They're gonna blow my head off, you know. This is the last time I'll ever be pretty."**

GEENA DAVIS AS CHARLIE BALTIMORE IN *THE LONG KISS GOODNIGHT*

my head off, you know. This is the last time I'll ever be pretty."

Angelina Jolie's deadly demeanor has pumped up several action movies. Lara Croft was a gun-slinging super-heroine but she's also played assassins in two movies.

In *Mr. and Mrs. Smith* she's a hitlady assigned to kill her own on-screen

(and future real life) partner Brad Pitt.

"Still alive baby?" she purrs after trying to shoot him through a wall.

Also, as Fox in *Wanted* she was a member of the Fraternity, a deadly group of killers, with the useful ability to shoot around corners. Best line?

"We kill one, and maybe save a thousand. That's the code of the Fraternity."

The highest body count must go to Beatrix Kiddo, played by Uma Thurman in *Kill Bill* parts one and two.

As a bride done wrong by her former Deadly Viper Assassination Squad colleagues (including Vivi-

ca A. Fox plays Vernita Green and Lucy Liu as O-Ren Ishii), Kiddo slices and dices her way through more than 100 opponents.

But the two most unlikely female assassins on film were found in Leon: *The Professional* and *Kick-Ass*.

In the former Natalie Portman was a 12-year-old who learns how to kill from her teacher, Léon (Jean Reno), a skillful but sensitive hitman.

In *Kick-Ass*, a 2010 action-comedy starring Nicolas Cage and Chloë Moretz, Hit Girl (Moretz) asks her father (and assassin mentor) for a Benchmade model 42 butterfly knife for her 11th birthday.

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He's back



Arnold Schwarzenegger will be making his movie comeback in New Mexico. The Valencia County New-Bulletin reports the movie *Last Stand* will start filming in Belen, N.M., in October. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Handwritten letter from author Kathryn Stockett becomes focal point in 'The Help' lawsuit

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# Web fame to real-world fame

► Greyson Chance now building off his overnight Internet fame to find personal successes in the music industry

Greyson Chance has the unique distinction of being a YouTube sensation.

He grabbed attention worldwide (not to mention Web hits) for his own rendition of Lady Gaga's 'Paparazzi'.

At just 12 years old, he also caught the attention of talk-show host Ellen DeGeneres.

She invited him on her show, and was so impressed, she created a record label called eleveneleven and signed him as its first artist.

Now, Greyson is 14 years old and has spent the time since writing, recording songs and touring to establish himself in the music industry.

He released his first album called 'Til the Night' earlier this month.

It debuted No. 29 on the Billboard album charts.



► Wise beyond his years, Greyson Chance is turning his web fame into real success.

He talked about his music, DeGeneres and how he's wise beyond his years during a recent interview.

**What did you learn from recording your first album?**

I learned tons from

recording this album. I really got into production and started learning how to make sounds, how to make beats and that sort of thing. Also, I think I've really advanced as a songwriter because I wrote

more than half of the record.

**You didn't rush to put out an album after getting a record deal. Was there a pressure to keep the momentum going?**

I feel like you need to take time. You need to take

time to build the process, gain the fans, put out the record and also build time to realize what the heck you're doing. You don't want to rush into something. You need to take your time, realize what you're doing, what you want to do, how to market yourself. And the music industry is a lot of business and it's a lot of politics.

**You're very well spoken and wise for your age. Are you sure you're only 14?**

Now that you're asking, I'm actually about to turn 14 this Christmas. I'm very excited. I'm going to spend it with the kids. You know, we're gonna have a good vacation, nice Christmas and it's gonna be good.

**How involved is Ellen DeGeneres in your career?**

She is very, very involved. She is always critiquing songs, artwork,

everything.

**What's the best piece of advice she's given you?**

She told me, 'Do not change yourself,' and I really haven't. I've definitely evolved as an artist and as a person but I haven't changed myself one bit.

**How are you with listening to your music or watching yourself perform?**

I'm very hard on myself. ... We record the show every night and I go look back at it and I write notes about what to do, what looks good, what doesn't look good.

**What do you do when you downtime and you're not doing something music-related?**

I'm very into photography. I love taking photos and I'm a huge reader ... I'm desperately into Harry Potter.

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**Grandpa clearly saw the benefit.**



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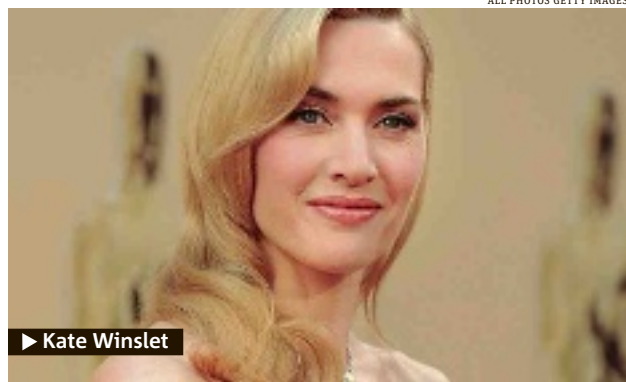
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# Kate Winslet saves Branson's mom from fire

► Sure, she let 'Jack' freeze in the water after the Titanic sunk, but real-life actress is something of a lifesaver ► House destroyed, but no one was hurt



► Kate Winslet

While vacationing in Richard Branson's estate on beautiful Necker Island, Kate Winslet narrowly escaped a massive fire that destroyed the home — and even carried Branson's 90-year-old mother, Eve, to safety.

"[Winslet] was staying there with her children and in fact it was she who carried my mother out of the house," Branson tells

ITV News.

"She swept her up into her arms and got them out of the house as fast as possible."

Lightning during a tropical storm is said to be the cause of the fire.

"The main house is completely destroyed and the fire is not yet completely out," the billionaire Branson says.

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► Victoria Beckham

## Victoria ditches her high heels — for now anyway

Victoria Beckham is recovering from a slipped disc in her back, and appeared in public for the first time since the problem developed — and she wasn't wearing her trademark high-heels, according to Us Weekly.

It's been speculated that the slipped disc was caused at least in part by

Beckham's insistence to wear stilettos during her recent pregnancy.

"Thank you for your kind messages," Beckham posted on Twitter recently.

"I'm feeling much better and enjoying every precious minute with baby Harper. I'm so in love."

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## Ryan puts his 6-pack to use

Ryan Gosling can add peacekeeper to his resumé.

The actor broke up a scuffle in New York recently when a man tried to run off with a street vendor's painting, according to Us Weekly.

"The painter was able to stop him before he took off with him and tackled him to the ground," a source says.

"Before it got too violent a stranger appeared to separate them. It was Ryan Gosling! He was trying to understand the situation while keeping them from hurting each other."

Gosling apparently escorted the men out of the street, paid for the painting and sent them on their separate ways.

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► Ryan 'superman' Gosling

## Fearing Charlie's wrath

Denise Richards reportedly turned down a guest-starring role on the season premiere of Two and a Half Men, the show from which her ex-husband, Charlie Sheen, was fired, according to TMZ.

Sources close to the show say producers want-

ed Richards to appear alongside new series star Ashton Kutcher, but Richards told them she wouldn't do

it, as "she would never hear the end of it

from Charlie."

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► Denise Richards

### Celebrity tweets



"The stewardess just included calculators in her list of devices that must be powered down for take off. And she said it in all sincerity."



@IMKristenBell

@JamieKennedy

"If you see a ruler in a gas station bathroom ... don't touch it."



@kirstiealley

"The day some studio decides to remake To Kill A Mockingbird.. imma kill all the mocking birds on earth. Thatll show em....er.that I'm nuts"



@ConanOBrien



"I like my women the way I like my coffee. Yup, I like blonde slutty coffee with low self esteem."

## Third time's the charm

Jennifer Garner is pregnant once again, she and husband Ben Affleck confirmed to the Associated Press. This will be the couple's third child, joining daughters Violet, 5, and Seraphina, 2. "She's always wanted three kids," a source tells Us Weekly. "This was her plan all along."

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# A land of wonder and Inspiration

► Gabriola Island in B.C. is a magnet for artists, earning it the nickname 'Isle of the Arts'

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► Visitors enjoy the beach on the northern tip of Gabriola Island.

There is immeasurable character and wonder to be discovered in the mystic landscape of Gabriola Island, in the Gulf Islands of British Columbia.

Within minutes of arriving, there's a good chance you'll spot an eagle soaring, watch deer scampering

along the road or pass by the alpaca farm. Ancient petroglyphs are carved into sandstone throughout the island, which is a 20-minute ferry ride from Nanaimo.

There are more than a dozen beaches and ocean-side spots to visit, including

the Malaspina Galleries, a stunning 3.5-metre natural sandstone formation created by years of wave erosion.

But the wondrousness isn't limited to the terrain.

According to the Gabriola Arts Council, the island has the fifth highest concentration of artists in all of Canada. The island is often referred to as the "Isle of the Arts."

"There's a real work ethic amongst the artists here," said Ramsey, who is president of the council. "They go out to their studio on Monday and come out on Friday with a whole body of work done."

Another intriguing characteristic about Gabriola is the high number of vintage cars that are seen during the summer months. Until recently, the local newspaper would publish a feature on a different vehicle every month.

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► Glassworks artist Tammy Hudgeon is just one of many artists who make Gabriola Island her home.

## GABRIOLA ISLAND

### A history of hippies

The 4,200 residents who live here emit a laid-back, welcoming vibe.

Resident Kathy Ramsey says not to be surprised if the person working at the checkout of the grocery store is a former rocket scientist.

The eccentricity of the island could be traced back to its history as a hippie colony in the 1960s, when many



Earth-loving wanderers made their way over to live off the land, exploding the population

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## 3 life



For more than 80 years, the Royal Bank building on St. Jacques Street has graced the Montreal skyline, serving as an opulent temple to commerce and a reminder of the city's glory days as a banking capital. In a few short months, another chapter in Montreal history will close when the Royal Bank shuts its branch in a building that served as its headquarters from 1928 to 1962. When it opened, it was dubbed the tallest building in the British Empire.

The elegant main floor of the Florentine palazzo-style skyscraper remains one of Montreal's most popular tourist attractions — but it's not yet clear whether visitors will still be able to access it beyond next spring. Next year's final move, scheduled for April or May, will close a chapter in Montreal's banking history.

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# What lies beneath

► Soon, the public will get a closer look at sea life from the Bay of Fundy ► St. Andrews, N.B. readies aquarium

A new \$8-million aquarium highlighting sea life from the Bay of Fundy will open in St. Andrews by Labour Day and is expected to attract at least 50,000 visitors a year, says spokesman Jim Cornall.

The 1,850-square-metre Fundy Discovery Aquarium, located at the Huntsman Marine Science Centre, will remain open year-round. It replaces a much smaller aquarium that had been at the site since 1972 and was torn down in May 2010.

A pair of popular harbour seals named Loki and Snorkel are back, giving

shows at twice-a-day feedings, but they now occupy a deep pool with an underwater window, said Cornall.

"The viewing experience for the public is certainly better."

There are also rare 10-kilogram lobsters, a large touch pool featuring sea stars, crabs, sea cucumbers and other animals, and a separate touch pool with skates.

"We carry a range of creatures that would be in

the (Fundy) intertidal zone all the way down to the deep sea" — a broad selection that allows the aquarium to raise issues such as ecology, climate change and invasive species, says Cornall.

As well, a two-storey display shows the height of the local tides.

"We're lucky that the Bay of Fundy has the highest tides in the world. It's an impressive exhibit."

The federal and New Brunswick governments each contributed \$2.5 million toward the aquarium, while the Huntsman Marine Science Centre, a research and education facility, added \$3 million.

St. Andrews, in the southwest corner of N.B., is about 100 kilometres west of Saint John.

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# Risks and rewards The chain game

## STUDENT VOICE

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I was just about to complete my Bachelor of Commerce in Marketing from Ryerson University. I started looking for jobs a few months before graduation, but I wasn't prepared for the problems I would face.

I quickly realized that employers didn't care about the marketing courses I had taken, or my GPA. They cared about relevant work experience.

Fortunately, I had some prior experience compared to some graduates but even that was minimal.

With this small experience, I was able to get through to a few second interviews. However, I always heard the same thing when employers were making the final cuts: I didn't get the job because I lacked experience.

It was so frustrating having to convince an employer to give me a chance! How else do they expect any new graduate to gain experience?

Employers can't expect every graduate to be the complete package. We are young, motivated and full of fresh, new ideas!

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► Raman Battu

demic careers. Don't undervalue a graduate by thinking there is no time to train them.

Career centres and schools also need to do more to help students by providing them with co-op experience while in school, regardless of their GPA.

Schools should also provide hands-on experience during class time. For example, case studies are a great way to practice new problem solving skills that employers are looking for.

Also, schools should constantly update courses to

better assist students. When I graduated in 2010, I learned nothing about social media and its relation to marketing, a knowledge base that would have been highly useful upon graduation.

My recommendation to students would be this: find an internship or part-time position while you're still in school so you can get your foot in the door.

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### Where Raman is now

I eventually did find a job at a small company through a mutual friend. I appreciated the fact that my employer took the risk to hire me, a new graduate. Having gained more experience, I am currently looking for a marketing position with more responsibilities to help grow my career.

- Thinking of buying a franchise in the near future?
- Get all the facts before diving into a deal head-first

Owning a franchise can provide a small business owner with brand recognition, a built-in clientele, valuable resources and the operating features of proven success. It also requires a financial and emotional investment in the business, and often, a crash-course in running it.

Ray Leclair, a lawyer and vice-president, Public Affairs (Acting) at LawPRO, offers these tips.

### Disclosure

The traditional crucial element in business is location, location, location. However, in franchise law, the primary emphasis is on disclosure. The franchisor must provide extensive information to potential buyers in a timely fashion. It is crucial for all buyers to consult with their lawyer, accountant and other business advisors to ensure they have all the relevant information before they sign an agreement or pay any money.

### Understand the growth potential

Be sure to really understand your industry and marketplace. Is the product or service you are providing going to be sustainable over the long-term? Will your marketplace be interested? If you are successful, do you have priority access in opening more franchises in the area? Be sure to spend some time answering these questions to better under-



► Owning a franchise takes serious commitment, business savvy and a consultation with your lawyer.

stand your business's potential for growth.

### Make sure you really understand the costs and fees associated with opening a franchise

There will be fees up front of course, but factor the ongoing costs associated with running a business and the special features of a franchise. Will you have to pay the franchisor a portion of your annual earnings? Are there leasing requirements? How will suppliers be paid? Will you be obligated to buy supplies only from the franchisor? These are just a few questions to ask up front. A business advisor can help highlight

other key areas of concern.

### Meet with your lawyer early on, and stay in touch

Franchise laws vary provincially, so be sure to seek local legal advice right from the beginning. A lawyer experienced in buying and selling franchises can help guide you through many stages of running your business, so it's important to build a lasting relationship with a legal expert who you can reach out to for guidance and advice. As financial matters are important in all businesses, you should also establish a relationship with an accountant.

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# A FEW RULES YOU MAY HAVE WRONG AT WORK

## WORKPLACE LAW

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**"Criticism may not be agreeable, but it is necessary."**  
—Winston Churchill

The above quote is as true at work as it is in life, except that in workplace law there is always an exception. Here is a sampling of some of the questions readers of this column frequently ask and the answers I often provide.

### Performance appraisals

When assessing merit, your appraisals matter. When assessing sever-

ance, they are mostly irrelevant. This is because poor performance is seldom cause for dismissal. Similarly, there is no such concept as "near cause", which means there is no correlation between your level of performance and the quantum of severance you will ultimately receive. Therefore, if you are fired and it relates to performance, you should receive the same severance as if it did not.

### Letters of reference

Employees believe they are always entitled to a reference. However, there is no rule or law compelling a reference, no matter how long or meritorious your service.

### Employment contracts

If there is a written contract, it has to meet a number of tests. You must, at least, be given the opportunity to negoti-



► Your written employment contract may not be wholly binding if it has not met all of the necessary criteria.

ate or those terms that are punitive may not be enforced later on. This rule also applies during the course of employment, except that something of

greater value must also be offered, such as a raise or a promotion, in exchange for a contract. Otherwise, the courts have reasoned, an employer could unilat-

erally impose new terms, and you would be left without the leverage to negotiate or refuse.

### Resignations

If you resign with advance notice and your employer asks you to immediately leave, are you entitled to pay for the remaining period of notice? Yes. Unless you signed a contract that says otherwise, generally you must be paid.

### Independent contractor agreements

It usually will not matter that workers have signed agreements confirming they are independent from their employers. When this characterization is challenged, often many years later, courts are apt to find these workers were truly employees. No surprise there. Many times the contract represented little else than a "label". What actually matters is how the parties behaved.

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► Social media is making the return to school simpler and so much more fun.

Turns out, the best place to shop for back-to-school, could be your app store. From exam prep to finding delivery options at 2 a.m., your cell phone has become one of the most useful tools you can use at college.

"The evolution of the mobile phone and its encompassing apps has changed the game for the world at large.

In modern days, not on-

ly is a mobile phone the most personalized possession you own, but it's a digital "backpack," says Matthew Armendariz, an NYC-based web and software interface designer.

With his help, we've found some apps for iPhone that will help you both in and out of classroom. Relax, we know you're on a budget—they're free.

Check to see if your

school has its own app. For example, NYUMobile features maps, event calendars and campus news.

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# The temp rises

## Temporary jobs can carry huge benefits for workers

When you're looking to start your career, it's easy to skip over temporary job listings.

But before you set your filter to only full-time positions, consider the many possible benefits of temping.

"A lot of young people want to get their dream job right away, but it's more of a marathon than a sprint," says Andy Teach, author of *From Graduation to Corporation: The Practical Guide to Climbing the Corporate Ladder One Rung at a Time*.

"It's something that everyone should consider, especially in this economy."

Here's why you may want to give temping a chance.

### It can lead to a long-term position

Plenty of employers treat temp positions as an oppor-

tunity to test-drive a potential full-timer. But even if the project has a very limited time frame, you still have the chance to network with managers who may have openings.

"Find a company you really want to work for. If it's a great working environment, it's worth just getting in there," says Teach. "You have to think long-term — you'll be down the hall from the people you want to talk to."

### You'll get an honest preview of the job

There's nothing worse than making it through three rounds of interviews only to realize that the management structure is worse than the coffee. "When you interview for a job, you never really know what's waiting for you," says Teach. "Temping can give you a

priceless insight."

### There's no commitment

If you settle for the wrong full-time gig, you'll have to give notice — and hopefully not navigate a no-compete contract — if a better job comes along.

The same isn't true for temporary positions. "If it doesn't work out, you don't have to worry so much about loyalty," says Teach.

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### Teach tip

#### Get LinkedIn!

Log in and fill your profile out immediately, advises Teach: "Employers are looking at it — they're really checking it now. For some, it's like you're invisible if you're not on LinkedIn."

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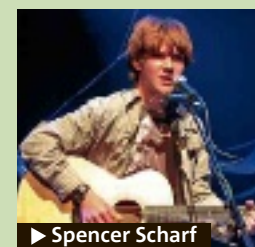
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► Spencer Scharf

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At the young age of 17, Spencer Scharf is already a seasoned vet of the stage, performing in front of crowds for years.

"I started playing the piano at the Alta Vista retirement home when I was 13," says Scharf.

Gradually, the venues grew and so did the crowds, leading to recent performances at Bluesfest and the new Shenkman Arts Centre.

His father, Rod Scharf, says Spencer never took any piano lessons. Eventually, Spencer moved on to the guitar.

"At age nine, I started taking guitar lessons at the Ottawa Folklore Centre."

But he wasn't satisfied with just playing the guitar. He soon started challenging himself on new noise-makers — he can now play 10 different instruments, mainly stringed. On top of that, he also plays a mean harmonica.

When you add that up, you get an exciting display of musical abilities, as Scharf seamlessly switches back and forth between instruments while performing some of the great guitar classics.

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## A bit of something for everyone

► Extra day means more diverse acts ► Special programs include jam sessions, workshops

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This year's Ottawa Folk Festival has been expanded to four days and relocated to Hog's Back Park, and organizers say festival-goers will certainly notice the difference.

"The extra day means more music for music fans, but also more opportunities for the artists we booked," said Folkfest spokesman AJ Sauve.

Bluesfest impresario Mark Monahan also directs Folkfest, Sauve said, and this year's lineup of artists shows his usual penchant for diversity. Even if some music purists may scratch their heads at some of the choices, the wider variety of artists draws a wider variety of music fans.

"The program has a lot of really good folk performers, but it is kind of inclusive in approach," Sauve said.

He pointed to acts like

## Tickets

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Dallas Green and City and Colour, which are likely to appeal to a younger audience, more established artists touring on new material like Rage Against the Machine's Tom Morello, and Men at Work's Colin Hay, and "good Canadian

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content with Jimmy Rankin, Serena Ryder, Basia Boulat, that kind of thing, Matt Costa, there's a lot to pick from so I'm pretty stoked about that."

There's more to enjoying the festival than sitting back and listening. Audi-

ence participation is at the heart of special programming like the KidZone, featuring a musical petting zoo, which allows kids to get hands-on experience with instruments.

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# Hornsby continues to dabble



To say that Bruce Hornsby is a well-rounded musician would be an understatement.

Hornsby has more than 30 years of experience in music. He has won Grammy awards for best new artist, best bluegrass recording, and best pop instrumental. He has performed with the Grateful Dead and has made numerous other appearances as a guest musician.

During his career he experimented with various genres and, as a result, still can't peg exactly what kind of music it is that he intends to create.

"I guess I'm still not sure," he says with a laugh. "I've been dabbling in various styles for many years, but I tried to find my own way of dealing with various styles of music."



► Bruce Hornsby and the Noisemakers are scheduled to hit the stage tomorrow at 9:15 p.m.

Hornsby is, perhaps, best known for his bluegrass and jazz; two very different genres that share one important characteristic.

"People think they are such different styles of music — and they are. But

they have one thing very much in common," he explains. "They're both about playing the instrument well. They're both about virtuosity on the instrument."

For his performance with his band The Noise-

makers at the Ottawa Folk Festival, Hornsby promises a folk-infused set. "We always like to practise a 'When in Rome, do what the Romans do' aesthetic, so, at the Ottawa Folk Festival, you're going to hear the folk Noisemakers."

## Volunteers make a festival sing

Ottawa's summer music festivals depend on the efforts and enthusiasm of music-loving volunteers to succeed, and the Ottawa Folk Festival is no exception.

Emily Addison, the festival's community engagement and volunteer manager, leads more than 650 volunteers split into 31 teams to handle jobs from gate and safety to stage production to dishwashing.

"Pretty much anything that's going on on-site — well not everything, but most things — our volunteers have their hands in," she said.

"Our crew leaders work really tightly with their crews, and some of our crews can be about 10 people that make something happen, so they really get a sense of who

each other are as individuals and work as a team."

This year, in an effort to prove that Folkfest is for all kinds of folk, the festival has made special efforts to enlist recent immigrants as volunteers, with help from the Catholic Immigration Centre and the Chinese Community Service Centre.

"We have a great diversity in terms of age of our volunteers and gender and that kind of thing. But we noticed that we were really lacking in reaching out to that community of newcomers in the Ottawa region."

Every \$30 donation to Folkfest's Friends of the Festival fundraising initiative will also make a free day ticket available for a newcomer, she said.

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► Megan Jerome plays the folk festival on opening night.

## Jerome exceeding musical dreams

Ottawa musician Megan Jerome has had a pretty solid summer so far, managing to land gigs at every major festival in the city.

Humbly, she chalks that up to her third and most recent album, Bloomers.

"My brother has this expression called gradually and then suddenly," she explains. "It's like everybody says; keep being true to yourself, you don't give up

and you plug away at it. And then suddenly something happens."

And that something was something she never really saw coming.

She believes it's important to keep setting the bar high, even if you just keep smashing through your own goals. "I laugh because I'm already exceeding any possible dream I have in music." ● JEN TRAPLIN

## Party moves to new block

### Performers

The 18th annual Ottawa Folk Festival runs Thursday to Sunday. Performers include:

- **Thursday:** Bruce Hornsby and the Noisemakers, Hawksley Workman, Megan Jerome, Punch Brothers.
- **Friday:** Steve Earle and the Dukes (& Duchesses), City and Colour, Bb Sisters, Gandalf Murphy & The Slambovian Circus of Dreams.
- **Saturday:** Bright Eyes, Tom Morello: The Nightwatchman, Rural Alberta Advantage, Colin Hay.
- **Sunday:** The Levon Helm Band, Kelly Willis and Bruce Robison, Hayes Carll, Jimmy Rankin.
- **For full listings,** visit [ottawafolkfest.com](http://ottawafolkfest.com).

The Ottawa Folk Festival and its fans move the party to a new home for this year's instalment, leaving the traditional spot in Britannia Park for Hog's Back Park.

Folkfest spokesman AJ Sauve is quick to rhyme off the advantages of the new venue. "No. 1 is accessibility. It's a lot easier to get to. It's really accessible by bus, which Britannia wasn't."

Bus routes 3, 87, 111, 117 and 118 will all get riders to the site. A nearby taxi stand and 1,000 parking spaces at the nearby Canada Post headquarters will also ease the trip to Folkfest, and cyclists may have the best deal of all.

"You can take a bike path right through the park while the event's going on," Sauve said. "That's open to the public, so if I



wanted to get a taste of it, I could just ride my bicycle right through between the two stages and enjoy the vibe."

That vibe, he added, is distinctly relaxed.

"It's just a lovely park for people to put a blanket down, and we allow soft-sided coolers so you can bring sandwiches and it's quite a friendly approach," he said. ● STEVE COLLINS

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# Nothing serene about Serena



Juno Award-winning artist Serena Ryder is familiar with the reality of life on the road.

After starting a career in music at the age of 15, Ryder's fame has skyrocketed, resulting in an extremely hectic touring schedule.

Ryder admits that the cycle of writing, recording and touring has the tendency to burn people out.

"You do get burnt out. You get sick of it. I think it's really rare for any musician to be constantly engaged and totally satisfied with what they're doing. I think it's really hard for anyone in general."

The trick, she says, is treating your mind and body right on the road.

"I think you just need to

make it fun, you need to make it not like a job. There are certain things that you can do," says Ryder. "Really basic things like taking care of yourself. When you're touring on the road, it's best to focus on what you're doing instead of what you're going to be doing in the future."

Over the past few months, Ryder has been able to draw inspiration on the road from her good friends, a band with which she has been touring called The Beauties.

"I had no idea this was going to be so inspiring," she boasts. "All of us have our own careers going and, right now, it's been a breath of fresh air to be on stage with people who I love and adore and respect musically and hang out with anyways."

Ryder has also drawn inspiration from one of the



► Serena Ryder

biggest names in the biz, Melissa Etheridge, who she met when they toured together earlier this year.

"It was definitely an instant connection," Ryder says. "We really got along and really adored each other and I really respect her as a musician and as a per-

son because she's a bona fide rock star. She's an honest, open, hilarious, genuine human being on and off stage.

"It's really inspiring to see that someone who is that much of a rock star on stage is just as amazing in their day-to-day lives."

## Jeffreys remains true to his style

Garland Jeffreys has been making music since the mid-1960s; real American music, infused with rock and blues roots, among other things. So it's no surprise that his new album, *The King of In Between*, covers a broad range of music styles.

"I find it more interesting to make an album that covers a whole ground," Jeffreys explains from his home in New York City. "I feel like I've been making American music my whole career and it covers a lot of bases."

With *The King of In Between*, Jeffreys does, indeed, cover a wide spectrum of genres. But, he says, that's just his style.

"There are some great artists out there who make an album and

every song sounds the same. But they're still a great artist," he says. "I just don't think that way. It just doesn't work that way with me."

Jeffreys and his wife, Claire, decided to release the latest album on their own label, Luna Park Records, all the while nurturing their own daughter's musical ambitions.

As for Garland Jeffreys, he sees his job, not as a member of the music industry, but as a preserver of good, old American music.

"I don't consider myself in the music business. It happens to be a structure that I deal with. But I'm a musician, I'm a songwriter, I'm a singer, I'm a performer. To preserve that music, that's what I'm really interested in." **JEN TRAPLIN**

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#### Blueberry-Basil Rickey

Make up a double batch of this one — one for your kid, and one for yourself (with the optional gin).

- 1 sprig fresh basil
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) sugar
- 60 ml (2 oz) blueberry juice
- 15 ml (1/2 oz) lime juice
- 30 ml (1 oz) gin (optional)
- Ice
- Club soda
- Handful of fresh blueberries

In bottom of highball glass, muddle basil with sugar. Pour in blueberry juice, lime juice and gin (if using) and stir to dissolve sugar. Add ice and club soda, stirring gently. Garnish with blueberries. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ ALISON LADMAN**



# Comfort foods of Italy — that's amore

## Tomatoes star in a simple & tasty Pasta Pomodoro

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### Preparation:

- 1** In a large pot, bring 6 l (24 cups) of water to a boil. Add 30 ml (2 tbsp) of salt.
- 2** In skillet over medium-low, heat 7 ml (1/2 tbsp) of the oil. Add garlic slices and toast, stirring constantly, for 3 or until lightly browned. Increase heat to medium, add red pepper flakes and half of the basil leaves. Cook for 30 seconds,

then add tomatoes.

- 3** Add pasta to boiling water and cook until al dente according to package directions.

### Ingredients:

- Salt
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 6 cloves garlic, sliced
- Pinch red pepper flakes
- 16 fresh basil leaves, torn into small pieces, divided
- 1 l (4 cups) very ripe grape tomatoes
- 250 g (8 oz) dry kamut spaghetti
- Black pepper, to taste
- 30 ml (1 oz) Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese, freshly grated, divided

- 4** Meanwhile, toss tomatoes in skillet and cook for 5 minutes or until they start to blister and the skins pop. Mash tomatoes with potato masher or fork to make pulp, then turn off heat. Season lightly with salt and black pepper.

- 5** Drain pasta, reserving 50 ml (1/4 cup) of water. Add pasta and reserved water to tomato mix. Increase heat to medium-high. Add half of cheese. Cook for 2 minutes, using a heat-resistant rubber spatula to toss.

- 6** Add remaining basil and olive oil and toss to coat. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Divide pasta among 4 plates and sprinkle with remaining cheese. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ ROCCO DISPIRITO**

### Caprese Salad



► The recipe takes 15 minutes to complete and serves 4.

The same combination that makes pizza so irresistible — mozzarella and tomatoes — also makes a mean salad.

### Preparation:

- 1** Use a serrated knife to slice each ball of mozzarella into 4 slices. Repeat with tomatoes, cutting each into 4 slices.
- 2** Stack 2 slices of tomato and 2 slices of mozzarella, alternating as you stack, on each of 4 serving plates. As you stack, season each tomato slice with a pinch of salt and pepper. Set aside.
- 3** In a blender, combine olive oil, lemon juice and half of the capers.

Puree until smooth. Season with salt and pepper. Drizzle a bit of the dressing over each mozzarella-tomato stack. Scatter several basil leaves, a few of the remaining capers and a bit of lemon zest over each stack.

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### Ingredients:

- Two 250-g (8-oz) balls fresh mozzarella
- 2 large slicing tomatoes
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) olive oil
- Juice and zest of 1 lemon
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) capers, divided
- Handful fresh basil leaves

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**“When it’s all said and done, basketball can only do so much for you.”**

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# ‘This isn’t the end,’ says Hill after trade

► Jays ship second baseman and popular infielder John McDonald to Arizona ► ‘They were guys that cared,’ says Toronto manager John Farrell



► Fans display a banner at the Rogers Centre in Toronto last night after John McDonald and Aaron Hill were traded by the Blue Jays.

Although it’s farewell, it might not be goodbye.

“I have not ruled out either player being back here in 2012,” Blue Jays general manager Alex Anthopoulos said after announcing yesterday that second baseman Aaron Hill and infielder John McDonald had been traded to the Arizona Diamondbacks for second baseman Kelly Johnson.

All three players can be free agents in the off-season.

“This is all I’ve known, this has been my family,” Hill told the media at Rogers Centre before the Blue Jays game with the Kansas City Royals last night. “Like Alex said, I’m

**“Not only are you playing for the city of Toronto, but the country of Canada. It’s a very special place and it will be missed.”**

SECOND BASEMAN AARON HILL, AFTER BEING TRADED FROM THE TORONTO BLUE JAYS TO THE ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS YESTERDAY

very open to coming back next year. This isn’t the end.”

Added McDonald: “I’ve had a lot of conversations with Alex recently about just that, about continuing to be a Toronto Blue Jay, and that excites me too.”

The 29-year-old Johnson, long rumoured to be an Anthopoulos target, has appeared in 114 games for Arizona this season, posting a .209 average with 18 home runs, 49 RBIs and 13 stolen bases.

A first-round pick of the

Atlanta Braves in 2000, Johnson is a career .260 hitter with 89 home runs and 326 RBIs in 758 games.

“He has the ability to get on base, draw some walks and he’s got power to all fields,” Anthopoulos said. “He’d be the first one to tell you, I’m sure, he’s not performing the way he expected to, especially off the year he came off of last year.”

Players must clear waivers to be traded after July 31 and Anthopoulos said all the Blue Jays players cleared early in August as a

matter of club policy.

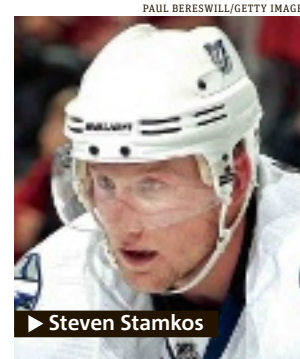
It was at that time that talks with the Diamondbacks on a possible deal started to take place.

Hill has struggled the last two seasons with the Blue Jays, but said he will cherish his time in Toronto, noting the club’s bright future.

“This team will win. The way they’re going, the direction they’re going, with Alex and everybody, I do believe this team will win,” Hill said.

Both McDonald and Hill will have a chance to play in the post-season with Arizona in contention for the National League West’s title.

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► Steven Stamkos

## Stamkos pulling for Crosby’s return

Steven Stamkos says the NHL needs Sidney Crosby.

The Pittsburgh Penguins superstar has been out of action since January with post-concussion syndrome and it was rumoured this week he suffered a setback in his recovery.

Stamkos said it’s difficult to see Crosby on the sidelines, both for the health of the league and as a fellow player.

“It’d be tough, we need him. He’s the face of the NHL,” the Tampa Bay Lightning sniper said yesterday at an NHL fitness camp in Toronto. “It obviously would take away from our game not having him in the lineup, so hopefully everything goes well.”

Crosby’s agent tried to quell rumours Monday that the centre had cancelled some on-ice workouts and that he wouldn’t be ready for training camp next month.

Pat Brisson said in a release the 24-year-old had adjusted his workout schedule and would address his condition at an “appropriate time.”

Crosby hasn’t appeared in a game since Jan. 5 when he took a blow to the head for a second straight game and was diagnosed with a concussion.

Stamkos, who recently signed a big extension with Tampa Bay, added the amount of concussions in the league is alarming.

“It’s scary with the amount of concussions, not only with him, over the past couple years,” Stamkos said. “As a fellow player in the league, you want to prevent that sort of thing.” THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Canadian little leaguers bow out

Canada is heading home from the Little League World Series with its head held high.

The team from Langley, B.C., lost 4-0 to Japan yesterday in an elimination game.

Canada leaves the tournament with pride after a surprising victory in a

must-win game against nemesis Taiwan and a good effort against Japan.

“We lost to the defending champs 4-0. We held our own,” Canadian coach Jason Andrews said when asked how his team handled elimination. “I think we represented very well.

They’re very upbeat, very happy with the way they played.”

Cole Cantelon allowed four runs in 4 ½ innings for Canada, which put two runners on in the bottom of the sixth before Connor McCreath grounded out to end the game. THE CANADIAN PRESS

**17 Canada advanced to face Japan after defeating Taiwan 5-3 on Monday. That marked the first time a Canadian team had defeated Taiwan in 17 trips at the Little League World Series.**

# Expectations low for Cowboys

► Intrigue high in team's first full season with former Rough Rider Jason Garrett as its head coach

The Super Bowl isn't coming to Cowboys Stadium, and nobody is talking about the main tenant playing in February.

It's hard to tell what to expect from the Dallas Cowboys this season.

Surely they can't be as bad as their 1-7 start last season. And they probably won't be as good as the division champs who went 11-5 the year before.

Here's the really confusing part: The roster hasn't changed much. Some veterans have left, but there haven't been any of the splashy arrivals you'd expect from team owner Jerry Jones.

The most notable changes are the guys in charge, coach Jason Garrett and new defensive coordinator Rob Ryan.



► The Cowboys play a pre-season game against the Chargers.

Garrett, who played for the Ottawa Rough Riders in 1992, became interim coach in the middle of last season and immediately shook up things. Practices went faster and were more physical. Digital clocks were installed throughout

team headquarters to eliminate excuses for being late. The team went 5-3 the rest of the way, despite backup Jon Kitna and third-stringer Stephen McGee taking all the snaps.

Jones liked what he saw

enough to keep Garrett, and the Princeton grad was smart enough to make sure everything would be done his way.

His culture change has continued in ways big and small, from grumpy veterans who've been dumped

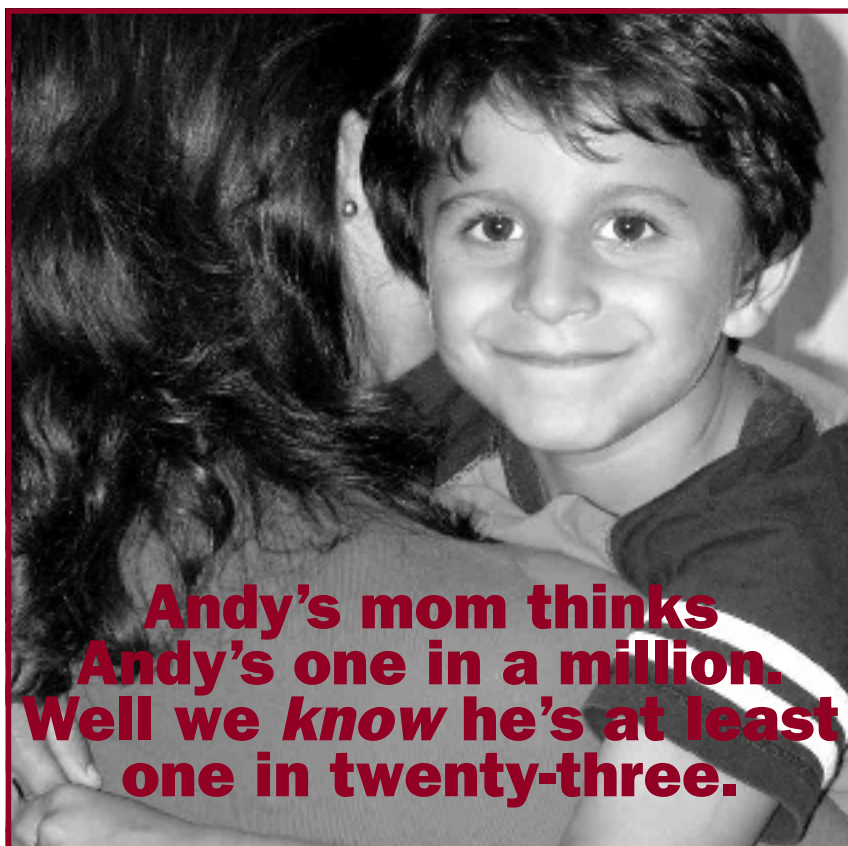
to the "Carpe Diem" sign players now see on their way to and from the practice field. That certainly wasn't left by coach Wade Phillips.

"We always talked about the importance of being great each and every

day," Garrett said. "We talk about the importance of letting last year's team go, and that it's a new team. You can have the exact same collection of coaches and players and the team from year to year changes and you have to redevelop that chemistry and all that goes with putting a team together. If we had won the Super Bowl last year we'd be preaching the same thing."

"We were 6-10, and I'd be lying to you if I said that doesn't kind of sit in everybody's craw as extra motivation. We're focused on today, we're putting last year behind us, and hopefully we'll stack some good days together and give ourselves a chance to be a good football team."

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Boston	77	50	.606	$\frac{1}{2}$
Tampa Bay	69	57	.548	8
Toronto	65	63	.508	13
Baltimore	48	77	.384	28 $\frac{1}{2}$
CENTRAL DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	69	58	.543	—
Cleveland	63	62	.504	5
Chicago	63	63	.500	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Minnesota	55	72	.433	14
Kansas City	53	76	.411	17
WEST DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	74	55	.574	—
Los Angeles	69	59	.539	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oakland	58	70	.453	15 $\frac{1}{2}$
Seattle	54	73	.425	19

Yesterday's results

Cleveland 7, Seattle 5, 1st game

Oakland 6, N.Y. Yankees 5

Seattle at Cleveland, 2nd game

Kansas City 6, Toronto 4

Detroit at Tampa Bay

Boston at Texas

Baltimore at Minnesota

Chicago White Sox at L.A. Angels

Monday's results

Seattle 3, Cleveland 2

Detroit 5, Tampa Bay 2

Texas 4, Boston 0

Baltimore 4, Minnesota 1

Today's games

Seattle (F.Hernandez 11-11) at Cleveland  
(Tomlin 12-6), 12:05 p.m.

Boston (Beckett 10-5) at Texas (M.Harrison  
10-8), 7:05 p.m.

Oakland (Cahill 9-12) at N.Y. Yankees

(Sabathia 17-7), 7:05 p.m.

Kansas City (Hochevar 8-10) at Toronto

(R.Romero 12-9), 7:07 p.m.

Detroit (Scherzer 13-7) at Tampa Bay

(W.Davis 8-7), 7:10 p.m.

Baltimore (Guthrie 5-16) at Minnesota  
(Slowey 0-1), 8:10 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Z.Stewart 1-2) at L.A. An-  
gels (Weaver 14-6), 10:05 p.m.

Tomorrow's games

Oakland at N.Y. Yankees, 1:05 p.m.

Baltimore at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m.

Detroit at Tampa Bay, 1:10 p.m.

Kansas City at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.

Boston at Texas, 8:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	83	44	.654	—
Atlanta	77	52	.597	7
Washington	62	64	.492	20 $\frac{1}{2}$
New York	60	68	.469	23 $\frac{1}{2}$
Florida	57	70	.449	26
CENTRAL DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	77	53	.592	—
St. Louis	67	61	.523	9
Cincinnati	62	65	.488	13 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pittsburgh	60	67	.472	15 $\frac{1}{2}$
Chicago	56	72	.438	20
Houston	42	86	.328	34
WEST DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	69	59	.539	—
San Francisco	68	60	.531	1
Colorado	61	68	.473	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
San Diego	59	70	.457	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Los Angeles	58	69	.457	10 $\frac{1}{2}$

Yesterday's results

Philadelphia 9, N.Y. Mets 4

Arizona at Washington

Milwaukee at Pittsburgh

Cincinnati at Florida

Atlanta at Chicago Cubs

L.A. Dodgers at St. Louis

Houston at Colorado

San Diego at San Francisco

Monday's results

Milwaukee 8, Pittsburgh 1, 1st game

Washington 4, Arizona 1

Philadelphia 10, N.Y. Mets 0

Atlanta 3, Chicago Cubs 0

L.A. Dodgers 2, St. Louis 1

Pittsburgh 9, Milwaukee 2, 2nd game

Colorado 9, Houston 5

Today's games

Milwaukee (Marcum 11-3) at Pittsburgh  
(A.Thompson 0-0), 12:35 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Pelfrey 6-10) at Philadelphia  
(K.Kendrick 7-5), 1:05 p.m.

L.A. Dodgers (Kuroda 9-14) at St. Louis  
(J.Garcia 10-6), 2:15 p.m.

Houston (W.Rodriguez 9-9) at Colorado

(A.Cook 3-7), 3:10 p.m.

Cincinnati (H.Bailey 7-5) at Florida (Vazquez  
7-11), 4:10 p.m., 1st game

Arizona (D.Hudson 12-9) at Washington

(L.Hernandez 7-11), 7:05 p.m.

Cincinnati (Arroyo 7-10) at Florida (Volstad 5-  
10), 7:40 p.m., 2nd game

Atlanta (D.Lowe 8-11) at Chicago Cubs

(R.Wells 4-4), 8:05 p.m.

San Diego (Stauffer 8-9) at San Francisco

(Lincecum 11-10), 10:15 p.m.

Tomorrow's games

Atlanta at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.

Arizona at Washington, 7:05 p.m.

Cincinnati at Florida, ppd., rain

Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.

Houston at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

AL LEADERS

	G	AB	R	H	Avg.
AdGonzalez Bos	125	508	82	174	.343
MiYoung Tex	127	509	64	172	.338
Kotchman TB	111	382	35	125	.327
VMartinez Det	110	408	57	132	.324
MiCabrera Det	127	452	82	145	.321
Bautista Tor	114	396	91	126	.318
Konerko ChiW	120	435	57	138	.317
JhPeralta Det	115	416	55	131	.315
Ellsbury Bos	123	505	89	158	.313
Pedroia Bos	124	490	79	150	.306
RBI—Granderson, New York, 98; Teixeira, New York, 95; AdGonzalez, Boston, 94; Cano, New York, 87; Konerko, Chicago, 85; MiYoung, Texas, 85; MiCabrera, Detroit, 81.					
HITS—AdGonzalez, Boston, 174; MiYoung, Texas, 172; McCabrera, Kansas City, 159; Ellsbury, Boston, 158; Markakis, Baltimore, 150; Pedroia, Boston, 150; Cano, New York, 148; AGordon, Kansas City, 148.					
HOME RUNS—Bautista, Toronto, 36; Granderson, New York, 35; Teixeira, New York, 34; Konerko, Chicago, 28; MarReynolds, Baltimore, 27; NCruz, Texas, 26; Hardy, Baltimore, 24; Dórtiz, Boston, 24; Quentin, Chicago, 24.					
PITCHING—Verlander, Detroit, 19-5; Sabathia, New York, 17-7; Weaver, Los Angeles, 14-6; Nova, New York, 13-4; CWilson, Texas, 13-5; Lester, Boston, 13-6; Haren, Los Angeles, 13-6; Scherzer, Detroit, 13-7.					
STRIKEOUTS—Verlander, Detroit, 212; FHernandez, Seattle, 185; Sabathia, New York, 184; Shields, Tampa Bay, 180; Price, Tampa Bay, 164; CWilson, Texas, 163; Weaver, Los Angeles, 158.					

Not including yesterday's games

BLUE JAYS STATISTICS									
BATTERS	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG			
Lawrie	55	8	18	3	10	.327			
Bautista	396	91	126	36	80	.318			
Molina	129	17	39	2	11	.302			
Escobar	450	68	129	10	41	.287			
Encarnacion	369	55	103	12	39	.279			
Thames	228	36	61	8	27	.268			
Lind	396	49	104	22	72	.263			
McDonald	168	19	42	2	20	.250			
Davis	320	44	76	1	29	.238			
Hill	396	38	89	6	45	.225			
Rasmus	85	11	19	3	12	.224			
McCoy	81	11	18	1	5	.222			
Arencibia	347	38	74	19	57	.213			
Teahen	133	12	25	4	12	.188			
PITCHERS	W	L	SV	IP	SO	ERA			
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Last night's results

Whitby vs. Edmonton

Okotoks vs. Coquitlam

Tonight's game

Semifinal

Second vs. Third Places, 10 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Columbus	25	11	7	7	29	24	40
Kansas City	25	9	7	9	36	31	36
Houston	26	8	7	11	34	32	35
Philadelphia	24	8	6	10	30	24	34
New York	26	6	6	14	41	37	32
D.C. United	24	7	7	10	34	35	31
Chicago	25	3	7	15	28	33	24
New England	26	4	11	11	26	39	23
Toronto	27	4	12	11	25	48	23

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Los Angeles	26	14	3	9	37	20	51
Seattle	26	12	5	9	36	27	45
Dallas	26	12	7	7	33	27	43
Colorado	27	10	6	11	39	34	41
Real Salt Lake	23	10	7	6	32	20	36
Chivas USA	25	7	8	10	32	28	31
Portland	25	8	12	5	32	41	29
San Jose	25	5	10	10	26	34	25
Vancouver	25	3	13	9	26	42	18

Note: Three points for a win, one for a tie.

Tonight's game

Chivas USA at Portland, 11 p.m.

Saturday's games

Columbus at Seattle, 4 p.m.

San Jose at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Houston at Vancouver, 7 p.m.

Portland at D.C. United, 7:30 p.m.

Colorado at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Dallas at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.

Real Salt Lake at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's game

Los Angeles at New York, 7 p.m.

New England at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

ENGLAND

LEAGUE CUP

FIRST ROUND

Yesterday's results

Crystal Palace 2, Crawley 0

Bristol Rovers 1, Watford 1, Bristol advanced

4-2 on penalty kicks

Charlton 2, Reading 1

Second Round

Aston Villa 2, Hereford 0

Bournemouth 1, West Bromwich Albion 4

Brighton 1, Sunderland 0, OT

Burnley 3, Barnet 2, OT

Bury 2, Leicester 4

Cardiff 5, Huddersfield 3, OT

Doncaster 1, Leeds 2

Millwall 2, Morecambe 0

Northampton 0, Wolverhampton Wanderers 4

Norwich 0, MK Dons 4

## Spacious coupe

As a four-door wearing a two-door's body, the tester offered up a surprisingly generous back seat, easy entry and exit, a massive trunk, and a great forward view of the road.

No issue with space on board for a four-person road trip, and up front, the driver and passenger could easily forget they aren't simply in a sedan.

Typical coupe-related compromises are largely eliminated, here.

## Interior

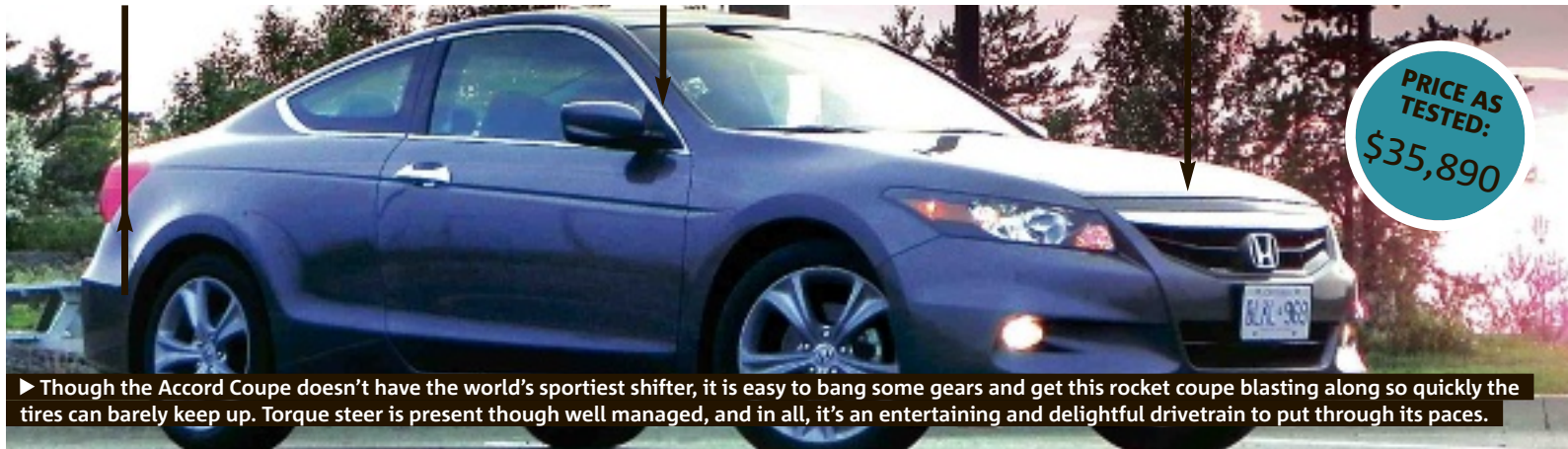
Most will find the cabin styling modest and plain, an attribute embodied most heavily in the graphics of the infotainment system which are on par with the average gas station ATM machine.

This part of the Accord is in dire need of an update.

## Engine

Under the testers' hood, Honda's 3.5-litre SOHC V6 engine dispenses 271 horsepower to the front wheels, thanks in part to the automaker's proven VTEC valve timing system. Among other things, VTEC ramps up engine output and sound effects at higher revs, creating a delightfully peaky power-curve. Honda's proven J35 Z3 powerplant sounds fantastic, loves to work and moves the Accord Coupe along like absolute heck.

A six-speed manual transmission took centre stage within the tester. It offered up a fairly slick shift action despite a longer throw, as well as a light and easygoing clutch.



► Though the Accord Coupe doesn't have the world's sportiest shifter, it is easy to bang some gears and get this rocket coupe blasting along so quickly the tires can barely keep up. Torque steer is present though well managed, and in all, it's an entertaining and delightful drivetrain to put through its paces.

# Family-car roots shine through in Accord Coupe



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With Honda greats like the Prelude, NSX, S2000 and CRX all retired to that great big sports-car graveyard in the sky, it's now the Honda Accord V6 Coupe that stands as the brand's ultimate performance offering. This two-door version of Honda's elemental family sedan has recently been updated in

the cosmetic department, and now looks more alert, sharp and aggressive.

That's slightly more fitting, perhaps, for a performance flagship riding the same platform as one of the most sensible family rides on the road.

When driving, handling of the Accord is tidy overall, though enthusiast drivers will likely wish for a little less body roll, a little quicker steering and some

more aggressive tires. The Accord Coupe isn't a handling monster first and foremost, but it's entertaining to push hard, not to mention comfortable, compliant and relatively quiet during cruising.

End of the day, the Accord Coupe's surprising sensibility, as well as Honda's reputation for reliability, quality and residual value will be big draws here.



► At hand storage facilities are generous in the cabin. Two large cupholders are fitted, and things are all nicely equipped and set up for day-to-day life.

# 5 drive

## By comparison



### Hyundai Genesis Coupe

Shopping? Be sure to check out the Hyundai Genesis 3.8 GT Coupe, too. For a few dollars more than the loaded Accord V6 tester, it offers up a Limited Slip Differential (LSD), Brembo brakes, and more dramatic looks. **JUSTIN PRITCHARD**



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# An entirely new car experience

► That's the tagline for Forza Motorsport 4 ► But what makes this game different than others?



DAVID SINGH  
METRO DRIVE EDITOR

The developers behind Forza Motorsport 4 are widening their scope with the release of their new simulation racing game.

If you're a hardcore video gamer, they're aiming to please you. But they also stress that even if you're a novice gamer, yet have a passion for cars, you should really take notice.

"Our goal with Forza 4 is to turn car lovers into gamers, and gamers into car lovers," said Brian Ekberg, community manager for Turn 10 Studios, the developer behind the game. Ekberg was in Toronto last week promoting the game at an Xbox 360 holiday preview event.

Exclusive to the 360, the upcoming instalment of the popular Forza series is



► The Jaguar XFR is pictured in a screenshot from the Xbox 360's Forza Motorsport 4.

set for an Oct. 11 release. When a new Forza game

comes out, it's usually considered a big deal — for Xbox owners, at least — as the series has garnered critical acclaim. Forza Motorsport 3, which was released in 2009, notched Best Driving Game awards from USA Today and IGN, in addition to a Game of the Year nod from The Associated Press.

One of the big advancements in Forza 4 is the inclusion of the all-new Autovista Mode. Described by Ekberg as a "virtual showroom," the mode, which is exclusive to the game, allows players to examine real-life cars just as if they were viewing them at a dealership — a really expensive dealership that is.

The Ferrari 458 Italia, Ferrari California, and McLaren F1 are just a few of the cars to be featured in this mode.

"It's a way to experience cars in a way you've never been able to do so before," said Ekberg.

Paired with the 360's motion-sensing Kinect device, players in Autovista can move their body left or right and the camera will move the same way around the car. With no controller required, they can physically crouch down to check out the wheels, open the doors to look inside the car, or even pop the hood to check out the engine. As well, players can place their hand over certain "points of interest," and it'll bring

## Getting it right

To create the realistic race tracks featured in the game, Turn 10 photographed, filmed and GPS-ed different locales in the world. Ekberg says that attention was paid to even the smallest details, such as creating blinding snow effects in some tracks, for example.

The developer has also partnered with Pirelli, gaining full access to the company's tire data. The desired goal was to achieve a driving dynamic that closely mirrors real-life cars and their interaction with the roads.

"We take our physics seriously," said Turn 10's Brian Ekberg. "We spent an incredible amount of investment into our physics, because we believe it's important to

be as realistic and as true to life as we possibly can."

While many simulation racing games can seem intimidating to new players, Ekberg says his team ensured that Forza 4 is different. The game does have a new simulation steering mode that is designed for "hardcore people," but gamers on the opposite end of the spectrum will be looked after as well.

"Depending on your skill level, you can still have a good time with this game," Ekberg said.

"We have a lot of assists you can turn on — steering assists, braking assists. Even if you don't have a lot of experience playing games, you can come in, get inside this Ferrari 458 and blast around the track and have a great time."

DAVID SINGH

up information about the cars.

"If you're a car lover, you can come to Autovista Mode and find out about and really appreciate these cars and maybe learn something you didn't already know," said Ekberg. "If you're not a big car fan, we want you to come to this mode, learn about cars and maybe that blossoms into a car passion throughout the rest of your life."

While Autovista Mode is a nice addition to the game, at its heart Forza is a racing game, and Ekberg says it won't disappoint in that regard.

A new lighting engine has been added to enhance the game's silky-smooth graphics, while the Kinect will be integrated into the driving experience by allowing players to move the camera by simply tilting their head.

## Top Gear

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**1** If you only use it once, this guide to plus sizing from Wheel

Consultants, Inc., is worth every penny since a mistake in wheel-and-tire upgrading can cost you thousands of dollars. The actual math for determining such upgrades is relatively simple, but The Ultimate Wheel and Tire Plus Sizing Guide takes the guesswork out of what will actually fit the car and that, dear readers, is especially tricky when you're pushing the envelope. [plussizingguide.com](http://plussizingguide.com)

**2** Carbon fibre is light, looks great and is fairly easy to work with if

you like to make your own small trim parts. But, it's expensive and is becoming rather commonplace. You can stand out with a new product called Barracuda from BGF Industries. It's a cool-looking fibreglass cloth with aluminum woven into it that works best with a mold that you would need to make. This gives your part a finished look without smoothing and filling since the idea is to allow the beauty of the metal weave to show through. [bgf.com](http://bgf.com)

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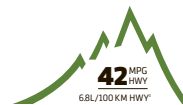
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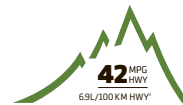


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# Buick's 'light' electric system provides heavy returns

► The eAssist features electric motor, gasoline engine and battery ► The result is vastly better fuel economy

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Cars that use battery power are becoming more common, but not all of them are meant to run on electricity alone. Some automakers, including GM, are adding electric motors to engines for a conven-

tional level of power with lower fuel consumption.

A new system called eAssist will be available later this year on the 2012 Buick LaCrosse and Regal. "It will be more than a 25 per cent (fuel economy) improvement over the 2011," says Daryl Wilson, lead development engineer for LaCrosse and Regal eAssist.

The vast majority of the improvement will be from the eAssist, and the rest from aerodynamic im-

provements and more fuel-efficient tires.

Called "light electrification" technology, the system includes a small electric motor-generator attached to the gasoline engine, and a 29-kilogram power pack containing a lithium-ion battery and power inverter.

When you're driving a conventional car and you press the throttle to get more power, the engine works harder and uses

more fuel. With eAssist, the electric motor provides up to 15 horsepower to the engine, which doesn't have to work as hard. Since electric motors make their full power as soon as they start up that extra boost of power is available when you press the throttle.

Like a hybrid, the eAssist system shuts off the gasoline engine at idle, such as when sitting at a red light (the lights, heater and stereo continue to operate)

and starts it up again when you're ready to take off.

"Another key feature is that we cut fuel to the engine during deceleration," Wilson says. "We do this at high speeds in all GM cars, but this one can be done right down to zero, enabled by the ability to smooth torque disturbances with the electric motor as you're getting down to lower speeds."

While eAssist can't run the car on battery alone,

it's not as expensive as a full hybrid system.

The battery, generally the priciest component, is about one-third the size of a typical hybrid battery, Wilson says, "and the electric motor is also significantly smaller. We're able to pack that where an alternator normally goes, which requires less infrastructure and change to integrate it."

Although the car is electrically assisted, it feels the same as a regular Buick.

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Replacing the popular Grand Am, Pontiac's 2005 G6 hit the market in 2004 with the promise of better quality, performance, looks and dynamics than its predecessor.

By doing away with the Grand Am nameplate, the now-extinct American brand was clearly aiming for a new beginning in the G6's segment — and had their eyes on taking a piece of the pie from the Japanese competition.

Coupe, sedan and convertible models were available, as were numerous trim levels and options packages to fit a variety of needs.

### 2006 to 2011 Pontiac G6



#### Engine

Look for G6 with a 3.5-L V6 with 200 horsepower, a 2.4-L four-cylinder with 169 horsepower, and two up-level V6 engines displacing 3.6 and 3.9-litres and generating 242 or 240 horsepower.



#### What owners like

Owners taking to the Internet to share experiences typically rave about styling, overall value, ride quality, and decent fuel mileage with any of the "smaller" engines. Comments like "fun to drive," "sharp looking," and "sporty" are common.



#### What owners dislike

Complaints tend to centre around lower-than-expected cabin build quality and materials selection, some noises as the G6 ages, and a rattly sunroof. Some wish for better gas mileage from the larger engines.



#### Common issues

Well-documented problems with the G6's electric power steering may result in a loss of power steering assist — meaning the steering could become stiff and feel "locked up" at speed.

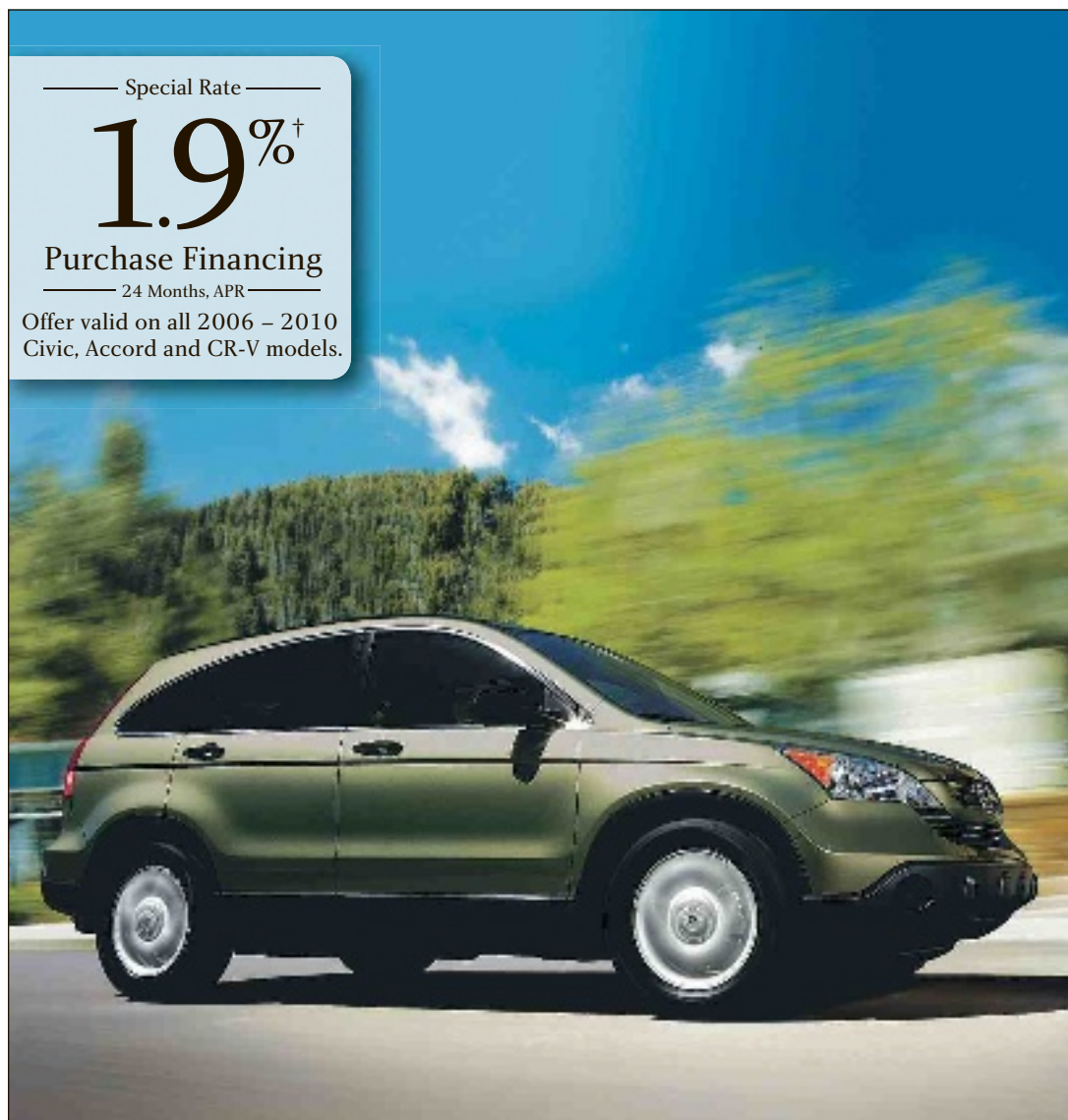
This safety issue was addressed by a service bulletin, and any GM mechanic should be able to check and replace the troublesome parts.

A check of the vehicle's suspension and front-end is also advised.

#### Verdict

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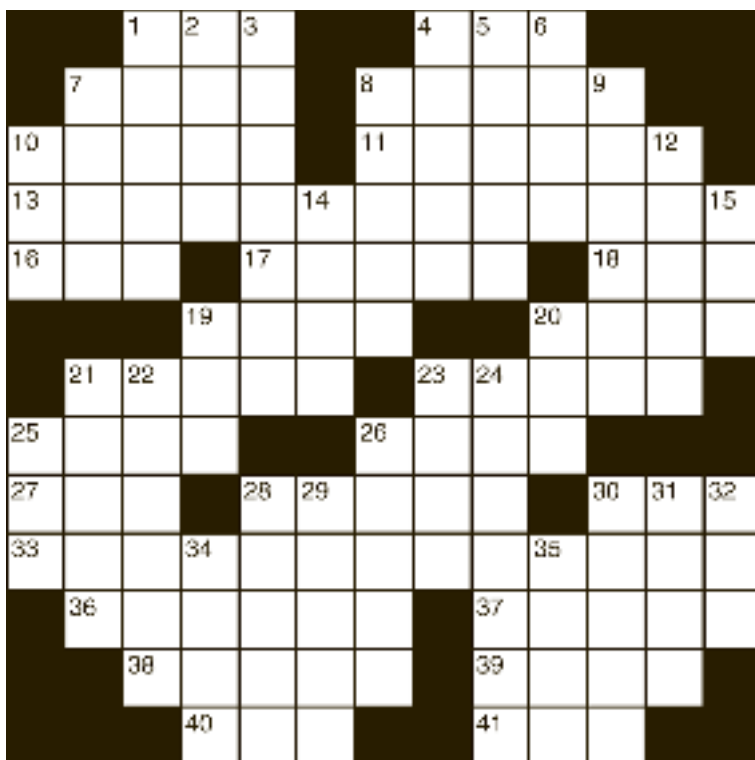
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11 Egyptian under-world god  
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16 High points  
17 Glover or DeVito  
18 Yea canceler  
19 His and —  
20 "— Only Just Begun"  
21 Battle reminders  
23 Hotel accommodation  
25 Laugh-a-minute  
26 King —  
27 Blunder  
28 Biscotti flavoring  
30 Korean automaker  
33 Jeff Dunham or Terry Fator  
36 Impulse carrier  
37 Excessive  
38 Speedy horses  
39 Tosses in  
40 "Science Guy" Bill  
41 Actress Myrna

### Down

- 1 Crazy birds  
2 "— She Sweet?"  
3 Bartender's need  
4 Soap star Lucci  
5 — to (in on)  
6 Bus rider's pay  
7 Dance lesson  
8 Early periods  
9 Common finch

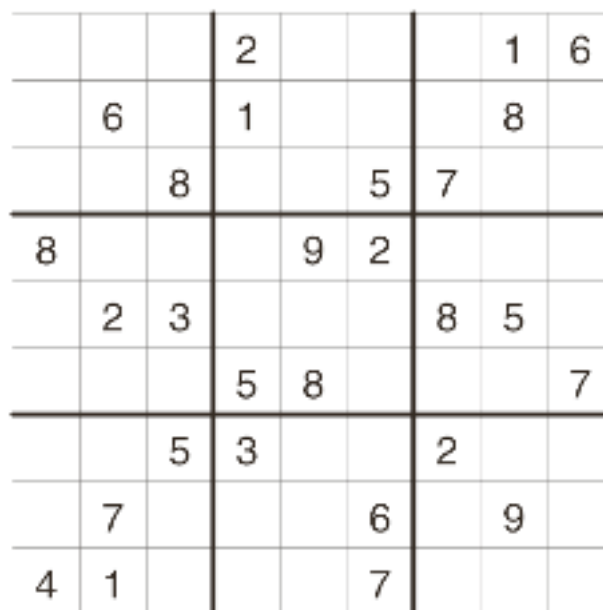


- 10 "Law & Order: —" enemy ... and he —":  
12 Debonair Pogo  
14 Galley lineup  
15 22-Down's location  
19 Chapeau  
20 Peruke  
21 Temptress  
22 Pupil's coat  
23 Mediocre  
24 Not the same  
25 Gun the engine  
26 Potters' ovens  
28 Orderly grouping  
29 Mythical weeper  
30 Small child (Var.)  
31 "We have met the

### ► Yesterday's answer



## Sudoku



## How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ►

5	3	7	1	9	8	6	2	4
9	1	2	3	4	6	5	8	7
4	8	6	2	5	7	1	9	3
1	2	5	9	6	3	7	4	8
7	9	8	4	2	5	3	1	6
3	6	4	7	8	1	9	5	2
6	4	9	5	3	2	8	7	1
8	5	1	6	7	4	2	3	9
2	7	3	8	1	9	4	6	5

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pebbles. Baby. I just want you to know that I love everything about you. From the girl I first met to the woman you're becoming. You make me so happy. I can't remember ever having so much fun doin nothing. I can't fall asleep unless you're right with your head on my chest. Thank you for reminding me what love is.

BAM BAM

To J B, Oh baby your lips look so tender and it look so true , believe me when i tell you i cannot wait for my dream to come true. i love u HD

c, To hold you tight, to kiss you and to dance with you forever is all I dream of. OMG how much I miss that smile n those big blue eyes. You are my soul mate and my heartbeat. I am lonely without you. I miss you so much n can't live without you. LOVE YOU crazy! s

## Today's horoscope

**♈ Aries** March 21-April 20 Those who think you lack imagination will be forced to think again.

**♉ Taurus** April 21-May 21 There may be something you're desperate to say. If you're smart, you will hold off for a few more days.

**♊ Gemini** May 22-June 21 As usual, you are ahead of your time. As usual others will struggle to keep up. Roll with it.

**♋ Cancer** June 22-July 22 Your latest idea may be brilliant but how are you going to make it pay? Give it some thought today.

**♌ Leo** July 23-Aug. 23 No matter how set in your ways you may be, you will do something out of character today.

**♍ Virgo** Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Your ego is a bit fragile. That will change dramatically in 48 hours.

**♎ Libra** Sept. 23-Oct. 23 You know what you want to do but you don't know if you have what it takes to make a success of it. You won't know 'till you try.

**♏ Scorpio** Oct. 24-Nov. 22 You need to get out of the mental rut you've somehow become stuck in.

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**♐ Sagittarius** Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Keep one eye on the news today because a new idea could inspire you to change your life.

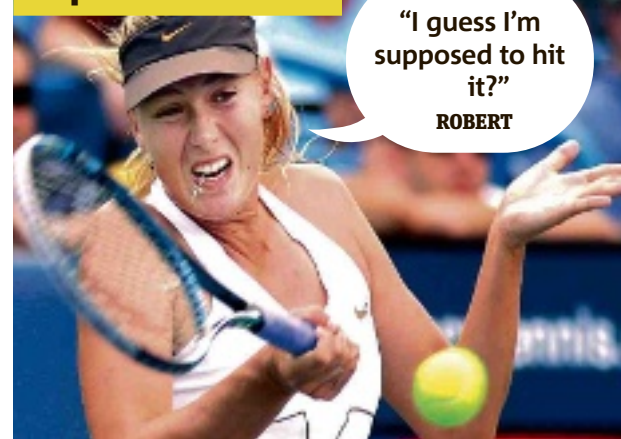
**♑ Capricorn** Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You can do no wrong at the moment, so feel free to take risks.

**♒ Aquarius** Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Because you're so quick to spot new trends, so look for ways to make your insight pay off.

**♓ Pisces** Feb. 19-March 20.

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